

SMITHS FALLS GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING # 7

Smiths Falls Golf and Country Club

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Board of Directors
Meeting # 7

Monday, August 26, 2019
Smiths Falls Golf & Country Club

Directors Present: Roy Leach, Glenda Cooke, Doug Hart, Clare Sanderson, Dan Imbeau, Warren Garton, Larry McIntosh, Paul Cadeau, Norm Devine, Mike Milks, Wayne Kearns, Ron Dolinki.

Directors Regrets: Chris Gray, Scott Devonshire.

1. The meeting was called to order by President Wayne Kearns – Time 6:55 P.M.
(quorum present)

2. **MOTION to approve minutes of meeting # 6 held Monday, July 29, 2019.**
Motion to approve - Paul Cadeau
Seconded by Larry McIntosh - Carried

3. **Committee reports:**

a) Finance - Dan McNeely

Year over year all is good. Slight increase in all departments (carts, green fees).
The bar is gaining from the lost revenue due to rain earlier in the season.

b) Greens - Ron Dolinki (a summary of a submitted report)

Course - Things are getting very dry. The creek is low. Course conditions are starting to struggle. Greens also have been a real struggle this season, with a lot of different diseases attacking the new seeded areas. The heat and heavy traffic has not helped. More seeding and sod to be done in fall. The #13 tee has been completed. The new yellow tee on #5 is ready for sod. Walking bridges have been installed over the ditch on #6 as requested. Tree work is behind. We are running short of staff and unable to replace. There is a breach somewhere in the riverbank again. Clean fill has been found at \$250.00 /load to fill in some sand traps. Burn's Equipment would need to be booked early. Ken would like to drive around the Course with the "powers to be" to review what can be done with the money and staff available.

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Staff - One staff member is leaving at the end of this week. Hiring companies have no one available for hire. Ken is looking to other sources for staff. Existing staff are already starting to slide from a long hard spring and hot summer. Lack of staff has kept the budget almost in line with last year (at this time) but only about half the government money will be received this year.

Equipment - All equipment is still working. Another roller has become available. (we did not get to the previous one in time) This one is a newer model and in a little better shape and therefore a bit more money. Ken was requested to check on the pricing for a new chainsaw (to help with the tree cutting this fall) and found they run between \$700.00 and \$1000.00 depending on make and model.

Budget - Course conditions will struggle all season. Prepping for the coming winter will be a challenge. Chemicals,soils,seed and fertilizer will be over normal budget levels.

c) House - Paul Cadeau

A detailed power point presentation brought the Directors up to date with the renovation project, showing time lines, projected costs. Scheduling needs to be compatible with any Club activities. An experienced contractor will be hired to guide us through the process. His knowledge will be a benefit with acquiring permits, possible grants , vendor contacts etc. and having the time to oversee this tremendous project, which must be kept to a strict schedule. Ideally, the project will start this fall and continue over the winter to be completed by spring. The contractor will be required to work closely with the Board. A discussion took place to ensure all costs are planned and budgeted according to our Club financial availability. Some indicators supporting this was the time to renovate were - a) the workshop has been paid for, b) the list of repairs and needed upgrades is growing, c) upgrades have the potential for more revenue from increased Club bookings, d) our members should have a well maintained clubhouse to relax and socialize.

Further discussion resulted in the following motion -

MOTION to proceed forward with the project and have the financial group visit the bank .

Motion by - Paul Cadeau

Seconded by Warren Garton - Carried

d) Bar - Roy Leach

Staffing will be covered until end of summer.

e) Pro shop - Larry McIntosh

The issue of some slow play is being addressed.

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f) Membership - Dan Imbeau

After further discussion and review of a progressive membership concept for annual fees the following motion was made -

MOTION to adopt Dan Imbeau's recommendation for a progressive membership concept for annual fees.

Motion by - Larry McIntosh

Seconded by Mike Milks - Carried

g) Kitchen - Wayne Kearns

A draft 2 year contract has been drawn up to commence March 1st,2020.

Wayne Kearns, Scott Devonshire and Dan McNeely will meet this week with Tina Johnston to finalize.

h) Social

Nothing to report

i) Ethics

Nothing to report

j) Health and Safety

Nothing to report

k) Men's Captain Report - Clare Sanderson

Men's Ryder Cup scheduled for August 31, 2019 and plans are being finalized.

Men's Senior Intersectional scheduled for September 3rd, 2019.

l) Ladies President Report

Nothing to report

m) Recording Director - Glenda Cooke

Nothing to report

n) Share Reconciliation - Dan McNeely

Once a year a list of shareholders goes to the lawyer's for updating.

4. New Business

No new business

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OTHER: (discussions/comments)

* observation concerning handling of ice cubes on bar cart.

* a summer student, Molly Watson, felt the Club should improve our recycling and researched and made suggestions ,via Dan McNeely, to the Directors. After discussion it was decided the Club should look into making improvements in this area (next season) and the following motion was made -

MOTION to introduce a recycling program.

Motion by - Roy Leach

Seconded by Warren Garton - Carried

5. Next meeting will be held September 30th, 2019 at the Smiths Falls Golf and Country Club @ 7:00 P.M.

6. **MOTION to adjourn at 8:20 P.M. - Motion by Ron Dolinki**

Seconded by Paul Cadeau - Carried

<u>Directors Attendance</u>	
Name	Number of meetings attended
Wayne Kearns	5
Paul Cadeau	7
Glenda Cooke	7
Norm Devine	6
Scott Devonshire	4
Ron Dolinki	6
Warren Garton	5
Chris Gray **	6
Doug Hart	6
Dan Imbeau	7
Roy Leach	7
Larry McIntosh	5
Mike Milks	5
Clare Sanderson	5

** Ladies Section President