

Wicomico Shores Golf Course Advisory Board Meeting (Wednesday, January 18, 2023)

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A. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:57pm by Chairmen, Bernie Kneeland.

B. Roll Call

All Board members were present: Bernie Kneeland, Jim Hodges, Dave Phalen, Greg Weaver, Terry Black, Tom Eicholtz, and Brian Hammett

C. Minutes: October 26, 2022 (*already approved electronically and posted*)

D. Golf Course/Restaurant Updates

- Patrick Dugan, Golf Course Manager gave an update on the golf course and restaurant. Patrick reported that the golf course was down on numbers of golf rounds in December due to the cold weather and holiday.
- January 30 the tournament committee will be setting up the upcoming tournaments for this year.
- Patrick will be attending a PGA workshop in Florida the week of 23-27 Jan 2023.
- The Riverview restaurant brought back Trivia Night, and had a great turnout. Plans are to bring back Trivia Night once a month. Patrick is also considering starting a taco night once a month.
- Rentals for weddings, bridal showers, baby showers, etc. have picked up with only using one room. If both rooms are needed, Patrick assured the Board that there will be someone at the window to take golfers orders.
- Patrick will be working with food supplier on selection of foods that have a shorter cook time to improve food service response times.

E. Annual Comparison FY15-FY23

- Patrick gave a review.

F. Year to Date Rounds of Golf, Revenue and Expense Comparison FY23 to FY22

- Patrick gave a review.

G. Expense and Revenue Comparison FY23 & FY22

- Patrick gave a review.

H. Status of other Capital Improvement/Equipment purchase

- Patrick gave a review and stated that the remaining FY23 funds would be used for Green's improvement.

I. Fan Purchase Status

- Patrick stated the fan has been delivered.

J. Capital Improvement Project FY24 Inputs

- Patrick stated that Director Arthur Shepherd approved the WSGC budget, it is now in the process of being review by the commissioners.
- A bucket truck with backhoe was an item in the budget.

K. Annual Report (draft distributed by Bernie Kneeland)

- No changes to the draft were proposed at the meeting. Any changes or additions must be provided no later than 27 January so the report can be submitted prior to 31 January.

L. Old Business

- Update on New Director of Recreation and Parks
 - Patrick stated that the position is still vacant.
- Tee Box Improvement Efforts
 - Patrick stated that the improvements to the tee boxes will be on hold until a new tractor with a front-end bucket has been purchased (maybe September or October). Once purchased, the plan will be to start on #8 and then proceed to other tee boxes needing the most improvement.
- Golf Carts
 - Patrick stated that the current golf carts lease has been extended until February 2024; He is still planning to lease Club Car golf carts starting in November 2023 to replace the current golf cart lease. There will be an overlap from November 2023 through Feb 2024.

M. Schedule of Meetings for 2023

- The Board meetings for 2023 are posted on the WSGC Advisory Board webpage, and several signs will be posted at the golf course.

N. Letters of appointment for Bernie Kneeland and Jim Hodges.

- Both have been reappointed and their terms are from January 1, 2023, to December 31, 2026

O. New Business

- Election of Officers for calendar 2023

- Chair Bernie Kneeland asked the group for nominations for 2023.
 - Chair - Bernie Kneeland was nominated; Motion to approve - 1st Jim Hodges; 2nd Tom Eicholtz; All in favor; motion passed.
 - Vice-Chair - Tom Eicholtz was nominated; Motion to approve - 1st Dave Phalen; 2nd Bernie Kneeland; All in favor; motion passed.
- Update on County Efforts on "Green Initiatives"
 - Patrick stated nothing at this time.

P. Adjournment

- Chair Bernie Kneeland made the motion to adjourn at 6:42pm; 1st Terry Black; 2nd Tom Eicholtz.
- Next meeting is scheduled for April 19, 2023.