

**Golf Board Meeting Minutes**  
**March 8, 2021**

Members in attendance were Ruch, Conzemius, Getz, Bothun, Hight, Bartlett, Tipton, Keeton and Farnsworth.

Bothun motioned to approve minutes of Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 meeting, seconded by Hight. Motion carried.

Conzemius motioned to approve the meeting agenda, second by Ruch. Motion carried.

**Staff Reports:**

Carin Hayn, PGA Professional, Clubhouse Manager

No report in absence. Farnsworth attached golf events calendar as of March 1<sup>st</sup>.

Bryan Tipton, CGCS Superintendent

Tipton reported that he went to the turf show last week. It was the national association and the state association. Tipton and two others attended it. There were numerous speakers, included college professors. A lot of good information, networking, etc. They have been working hard on the concrete project on west side of the clubhouse, finishing the rail this week. This took roughly a week. They checked the soil temp today, and it was at 42 degrees, which is pretty good. Dakota Lake's website said that the frost is pretty much gone. There wasn't any frost when they dug the retaining wall. They will keep their eye on the incoming storm. We did get snow last Sunday and that made a big difference when they were walking around out on the course. Otherwise, just getting ready for opening with stakes, etc. People are calling, emailing, texting me.

Bartlett- do you have a date yet?

Tipton- No, we let the Mayor decide. Not every course in the state is open, even though some people think that. If we get everything ready and then we get a cold snap then we lose everything we worked for. It isn't worth the couple of days of nice weather.

Bartlett- How does the mayor decide when to open it up?

Farnsworth- He generally takes direction from the superintendent.

Conzemius- Are you thinking April 15<sup>th</sup>?

Tipton- No, I am not saying a date. It might be before then. I know that a lot of people want to ride carts and we have to make sure that concrete is done. It is dry out there as well. If the storm isn't bad and I can fire up the irrigation system Friday, then we might be on a good path. I am unsure of when Carin is ready to go either. Also we put in the plexiglass in the clubhouse as well.

Conzemius- If you are looking at the weekend of the 20<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>, that is 14 days.

Tipton- Yeah, our meeting is on the 10<sup>th</sup> with the mayor so we can decide on it that Wednesday. We have to discuss with Carin.

Keeton- Why are these other golf course only opening for a couple days at a time? Don't we want to get it open and start to make money?

Tipton- I guess does it make money because Carin has to staff it?

Bartlett- I think that we should be tickled we are talking about March. So weather permitting, it will be next couple of weeks.

Tipton- yes.

#### Tom Farnsworth, Director

Farnsworth spoke that they will be meeting with the Mayor on procedures for the clubhouse with Covid still a threat. I will also report to the City Administrator and Commissioner. We are ready to go whenever Bryan and Carin are on board. The Superintendent and Club house manager work together to recommend an opening date.

#### **Old Business:**

1. Report on operations/maintenance work by Tipton  
Already covered previously.
2. Report on the Superintendent's conference in Sioux Falls  
Already covered previously.
3. Events calendar to date  
Calendar was attached to invite.
4. Discussion on 2021 operations with COVID 19  
Farnsworth- we will have a recommendation to wear a mask inside, but not require them inside.  
Bartlett- Does Carin need any new sanitization?  
Tipton- I don't believe she needed to do anything additional for sanitization.  
Tipton- I would ask that we remove the foam cups.  
Conzemius- Yes, remove that.  
Tipton- No water coolers either.  
Bartlett- No rakes in bunkers?  
Tipton- We can put rakes back out.  
Bartlett- Do we need to put no large groups on number 1 tee box?  
Tipton- I think so.  
Bartlett- What about sand and seed bottles on the carts?  
Tipton- Yes, we should put those back on there.  
Farnsworth- What about one person per cart?  
Conzemius- I think take it off. If someone wants their own cart, then they pay the full amount.  
Tipton- I asked the guys at the show last week and they all had an additional fee if they wanted to ride single.  
Conzemius- I think it is different if there is a five some and someone doesn't have a choice, they don't have to pay the extra, but if the person insists on being by themselves then they should pay extra.  
Farnsworth- What do you think about scorecards and pencils on the carts?

Conzemius- Yes, they should automatically do new cards and pencils on every cart.

Farnsworth- What about the no pressure to pair people up?

Bartlett- Take that off.

5. Outdoor furniture update

Tipton- Carin was working on some stuff. I think their current package they are looking at was \$15K. We will pull this forward to another board meeting for a report.

6. Other?

Ruch- Reported on the HLGA. They met up this last month and figured out tournament schedule. They want to have the opening banquet in April. On May 4<sup>th</sup>, is our opening play day.

Conzemius- Reported on the OMGA. They have posted all of their events online. Carin has all of those as well. May 8<sup>th</sup> is the first event.

Bartlett- the next step is that you will go to the Mayor on this plan?

Farnsworth- Yes, and then we can let the board know.

Keeton moves to adjourn at 6:06 PM, seconded by Hight. Next meeting is April 5<sup>th</sup>.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Hallie Getz