



**GOLF ADVISORY BOARD MEETING**  
**WEDNESDAY, NOV. 3, 2021**  
**7:00 P.M.**  
**ACTIVITY CENTER**

**ATTENDANCE**

Members in attendance: B. Bugger, R. Elwood, M. Dimick, B. McGiff, G. Denning, M. Spraktes, N. Watson, J. Graham, G. Lattimore, T. Reinke, R. Carosone, J. Freeman, J. Landon, B. Martin, P. Holm, T. Reinke

Members Absent: J. Finup, S. Priebe, F. Sica T. Hersh, M. Cole

**CALL TO ORDER**

R. Carosone called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

B. Bugger motioned to approve the May 26, 2021, minutes. G. Lattimore seconded. All in favor.

**MANAGER OF GOLF OPERATIONS – T. REINKE**

- T. Reinke reviewed the financials and rounds played for the 2021 golf season. Numbers were up in almost every category from daily green fees to merchandise sales. The 2021 season was a record year for revenue.
- The golf irrigation loan repayment plan was discussed at length. The board considered several ways to pay the loan off quicker and discussed the future loans that will be required to repair the irrigation systems at Sand Creek and Sage Lakes golf courses.
- Price increases. T. Reinke passed out a list of the City Council approved price increases. There was discussion on factors that should be considered when deciding on whether to raise prices, including the current inflation, fuel increases, the growing population, etc. After considerable discussion, B. McGiff moved to increase prices by 5%, except for the 9-hole green fees and the 9-hole punch passes. G. Lattimore seconded. All in favor.
- The increase of fees by credit card companies was discussed. The current credit card fees are costing the golf courses approximately \$65,000 per year. It was decided to put this topic on the spring agenda to discuss ways to address the problem.

- T. Rinke announced that Sage Lakes Golf Pro Gaylen Denning will be retiring February 25<sup>th</sup>.

## **ASSOCIATION REPORTS**

### **Women's Association – N. Watson**

- N. Watson advised that Vickey Brown will be the Women's Association President for 2022.
- The association will be going to "Bluegolf" for scoring.

### **Men's Association – M. Dimick**

- M. Dimick reported that they have 532 active members in the association.

### **Junior Association – F. Sica – absent (reported by T. Reinke)**

- There are 348 active members in the Junior's Association.
- A successful fundraiser was held this summer for the association with musician Jaci Sites.
- They were able to hold their awards banquet in person this year.

## **STAFF REPORTS**

### **Pinecrest Superintendent – M. Spraktes**

- The irrigation system will be finished by November 6<sup>th</sup>.
- The pump station is finished, and the backup pump is being completed now.
- The warranty on the Watertronics System will be good for one year.
- M. Spraktes is having trouble finding a contractor to install the bathroom in the Pinecrest shop.

### **Sand Creek Pro – J. Graham**

- Play at Sand Creek was up 30% this year. This increase in play could be on account that they had thirteen company events at the course.
- He advised that 90% of the customers are using the new ball machine that was installed by B. Martin.

### **Sand Creek Superintendent – B. Martin**

- B. Martin reported that last year's winter kill recuperated well, and the greens and tee boxes all came back.
- They are currently winterizing the course.
- The ball machine was challenging to get hooked up.

- Most of the employees have left so they are trying to complete all the projects with limited manpower.

**Sage Lakes Pro – G. Denning**

- It was a banner year!

**Sage Lakes Superintendent – J. Landon**

- They have finished blowing out the lines.
- They are clearing out the water ways between the olive trees.
- They have finished the tree removal on the front end of the course.
- The restrooms are still open at this point, but they are monitoring the weather.
- Raising up the trees benefitted the course.
- They removed approximately 160 loads of trees this season but are only about halfway finished.
- The greens are the best they've ever been.
- He plans to re-do the tee box on number six. It will be done "in house".

B. Bugger motioned to adjourn at 8:10 pm. G. Lattimore seconded. All in favor.

Next meeting will be held TBA

*Recorded by:  
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