

VILLAGE OF GLENCOE
GOLF ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes
August 26, 2013

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The Golf Course Advisory Committee was called to order at 7:10 p.m. at the Village Hall. The following members were present:

Dale Thomas, Chairman
Jim Hirsch
Mitch Melamed
Ronald Schmidt
Scott Shore

Joe Keefe and John Nesbitt were absent.

2. APPROVAL OF THE JULY 2013 MEETING MINUTES

The July 2013 Golf Advisory Committee meeting minutes were corrected to read as follows: *The front 9 had many more severe swings in the handicap changes and debate ensued.* After the correction was made the minutes were then approved as amended.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT TIME

There was no public comment.

4. MANAGERS MONTHLY REPORT

- Stella reviewed the July monthly report.
- It was announced that Joe Keefe made a hole in one the last time he played; congratulations were extended to Joe in his absence.
- The new score cards with the adjusted handicaps will be distributed when the old cards run out, most likely in the next few weeks.
- The new turn around on the 3rd hole looks wonderful and is a great addition to the golf course.
- Several golfers have commented that the fairways at the course are in better shape than some local private clubs that they have played.
- A comment was made that the IJGA tournament players did not exhibit proper golf course etiquette and the supervisors should be more aware of the junior's behavior.
- The budgeted numbers were achieved in July which is a very impressive feat as the budget is very high at 204 players per day.
- Stella explained that there have been some issues with the overflow of players from Wilmette. Pace of play, no shows and poor etiquette have been addressed.
- Some of the Wilmette players that signed up for permanent tee times have had their money refunded due to pace of play issues and their lack of improvement over the first three weeks of play.
- The Mexican Fiesta theme night was discussed. There was not a lot of participation at the price point that was offered. This will be the last theme night offered this season.

- A review of the meeting with the Cook County Forest Preserve was presented by Stella. Stella reported that the meeting was very successful and the County's response was very favorable in regards to the building of a new clubhouse. The meeting reviewed the history of the Club as well as the past six years of capital and financial progress.
- The main points of the meeting were to come to terms with the County that their portion of land will remain a golf course and that the Village owned property will also remain a golf course. That the clubhouse size not be any larger than our existing footprint and that we would not give the County any money until the clubhouse bond is paid off and the Village is paid back for money owed.
- The Village requested that the County respond to us in the next two weeks with the next steps that should be taken to amend the current agreement. We understand that we will not have the full agreement in two weeks but we wanted to receive confirmation on our understanding regarding the main points.
- It was explained to the County that our next step in the new clubhouse process will be to interview architects and get started on Phase I of the project. Phase I will be a very costly investment and we want to ensure that both parties are on the same page before the investment is made.
- Stella informed the committee that the Chicago Botanic Garden had a meeting with the Garden's Board of Directors and the preliminary plan of building a new clubhouse was approved by their Board. The relocation of the maintenance building was not discussed or approved at the Garden's Board meeting.
- The service of the beverage cart was discussed. There is still training that needs to be done as the beverage cart is still missing groups or not being seen frequently.
- It was suggested that a plan be drawn up for the replacement of the willow trees. Stella explained that the plan would be addressed over the winter when there is more office time available for Dave Arden.
- Stella reported that a bank mower has been purchased. This is a used piece of equipment that is being purchased for \$16,900, if purchased new the mower would cost over \$60,000.
- The committee thought that Dave Arden's name should be included on the score card so he is recognized for his efforts.
- The water usage is still under budget for the season due to the utilization of the Northbrook water feed. We are using a minimal amount of Glencoe water due to the cost difference.
- Although the water from Northbrook is not treated our new acid injection system helps to keep the water viable for our turf needs.
- It was suggested that sand be added to the practice bunker, Stella replied that she would follow up with Dave Arden.
- The next meeting is scheduled for September 30th after all of the architect interviews are completed.

ADJOURNMENT

- There being no further business for discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 7:52.