

VILLAGE OF GLENCOE
GOLF ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes
September 15, 2014

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The Golf Advisory Committee was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Glencoe Village Hall. The following members were present:

Dale Thomas, Chairman
Jim Hirsch
Joe Keefe
Ron Schmidt
Scott Shore

Committee member Mitch Melamed was absent.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST MINUTES

The August Golf Advisory Committee meeting minutes were approved as written.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT TIME

None

4. MANAGERS MONTHLY REPORT

- Stella reviewed the August monthly report.
- August had above average rainfall and proved to be a challenging month for both conditions and revenues.
- Cart were not allowed on the course 7 days out of the month. Revenues suffered in power cart rentals as well as rounds played.
- The Academy continues to be over budget in revenues.
- Summer camp participation was discussed; it was another successful season.
- High school golf team participation was discussed. Stella explained that Glencoe is accommodating as many teams as possible and most afternoons are booked with junior rounds.
- The course will be hosting three large multi-school tournaments in September and October.
- The course experienced high pressure from disease throughout the month due to wet conditions.
- The range continues to do well despite the fact that Winnetka is open for business this year compared to last year.

5. CLUBHOUSE TASK FORCE UPDATE

- Dale informed the committee that he had a meeting with Phil Kiraly regarding the clubhouse project and the following was discussed.

- Steve Elrod, the Village's attorney, will be meeting with the head counsel of the Cook County Forest Preserve to discuss the Agreement.
- Dale suggested that a presentation be created for the Village Board on the clubhouse project. The presentation could also be used for introducing the project to the public.
- Public fundraising will be necessary for the project.
- A question was asked why the County would want to hold up the improvement of their own buildings as they are obviously in poor condition. It doesn't make sense for the County not to support new buildings.
- Stella informed the committee that her concern right now is to have a working operational agreement in place with the County.
- There is great opportunity for the County to gain recognition with signage etc. at the Club.
- The committee agreed that it would be detrimental to the golf operation if all available funds were no longer reinvested in the golf course annually.
- The committee offered their full support in moving forward with the County and would be willing to take any steps necessary to help facilitate the process.
- There is no schedule for Task Force meetings until progress is made on the County agreement. Once the agreement is finalized meeting will be scheduled so that clubhouse planning can take place.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

- The power outage in September was discussed.
- A question was asked if the Botanic Garden construction project was interfering with the course. Stella responded that there have been no issues at this point.
- Dale Thomas informed the committee that a representative from the Botanic Gardens made a presentation at a Village Board meeting on the greenhouse project. Dale requested the Garden's representative to provide a buffer between the golf course and the Garden's property.
- Joe Keefe raised concern with the impervious surface that will be involved in the Garden's plan. Stella responded that the construction plans the Garden provided showed all of their drainage flowing west, away from the golf course and the ditch.
- Dale informed the committee that the Village Board is very pleased with the performance of the Golf Club. Auditors at one of the Board meetings informed the Board that the golf course would receive an A+ for its financial performance.
- Joe Keefe asked the committee if anyone was interested in running for the Village Board.

7. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.