

VILLAGE OF GLENCOE
GOLF ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes
December 19, 2011

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The Golf Course Advisory Committee was called to order at 7:06 p.m. at Glencoe Village Hall. The following members were present:

Joe Keefe, Chairman
Jim Hirsch
John Nesbitt
Ron Schmidt

Committee members Mark Metzner and Mitch Melamed were absent. Dave Arden, head superintendent, was also in attendance.

2. APPROVAL OF THE NOVEMBER 2011 MEETING MINUTES

- The November 2011 Golf Advisory Committee meeting minutes were approved as written.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT TIME

- There was no public comment.

4. MANAGERS MONTHLY REPORT

- Stella Nanos reviewed the November financial report.
- November had unseasonably warm temperatures leading to revenues exceeding the budget by \$30,000.
- Stella and Dave Arden reviewed the 2012 capital plan.
- All of the equipment listed on the capital plan is used; there are no new items on the plan.
- It was recognized that purchasing used equipment was a great way to save money while still upgrading the equipment fleet.
- The planned purchase of an irrigation injection system will lower the PH level of the irrigation water allowing us to use less fertilizer as part of our long term sustainability plan.
- The problem with geese at the course was discussed. The issue stems from the warm weather with no snow cover as well as a new chase policy at the Botanic Gardens that prohibits the dogs from entering the ponds.
- Dave explained why we don't cover the greens in the offseason due to the labor necessary to manage the placement and removal of the covers.
- The plan for renovating the 3rd tee was discussed which includes drainage work, improving the cart path and installing a new drinking fountain.
- Dave reviewed the plan to expand the 11th tee by extending backward towards the 18th tee. The path leading from the 17th green to the 18th will also be realigned.
- In addition to the tee work the 11th fairway will be expanded to the left to give golfers a better shot to the green.
- The committee thought the new tee was a great idea. They also wanted to make sure that the new path would be surrounded by a natural fence so the neighbors would not have any issues.

- The willow trees along the 17th fairway were discussed. A long range replacement plan should be initiated to prevent losing all of the trees at the same time.
- Joe Keefe suggested that Dave speak with Tom McDonald from the Park District in regards to the tree program.
- The new academy space was discussed along with renovations to enhance the offices.
- A suggestion was made to use the funds from Friends of the Glencoe Golf Club to pay for the proposed cart shelter.
- The shingles on the maintenance building have to be replaced and the repair is included in the capital plan.
- There are seven bunkers left to repair on the course. By the end of next season all of the bunkers will have been renovated.
- The drainage ditch on the 17th hole was discussed. There is a lot of overgrowth in and around the ditch that impedes drainage and should be addressed. It was suggested that the Botanic Garden be asked to assist with the project.
- A question was raised asking if the plantings by the Botanic Garden in front of their science center were adequate. Dave Arden thought that the plantings were adequate and would grow in nicely over the years.
- The committee asked what the status was of the Covershot left behind from Green To Tee. Stella informed the committee that a letter that was reviewed by the Village attorney was sent to Green To Tee requesting the removal of the implement.
- It was recommended that we take pictures of the Covershot to document its current condition.
- The committee also emphasized the importance of supervising the removal of the Covershot to ensure there is no damage to the tee line, landscaping or the parking lot.
- It will also be important to have the condition of the ground under the Covershot returned to its original condition.

5. NEXT MEETING OF THE GOLF ADVISORY COMMITTEE

- The next meeting of the Golf Advisory Committee was scheduled for Monday January 16, 2012 at Glencoe Village Hall.

6. ADJOURNMENT

- There being no further business for discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.