

UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF THE GOLF COMMITTEE CORONADO CENTER

Thursday March 15, 2018

Committee Members

Rhonda Haynes – Chairman - Absent
Phil Belt – Vice Chairman
Marge Harvey – Secretary
Grover Scarborough
Jim Oswald
Jamin Townsan - Absent
Joe Johnston - Absent
Ralph Turpin

Staff Liaison:

Tom Heffer – Director of Golf

Staff:

Gary Myers
Mike Socha
Matt Lewarn

Board Liaison

Mike Medica – POA Director and Past President

Press

Sandy Johansen – Village Voice

Guests:

Donald Jones - Magellan GCS
Okey Bess
Don Bollin

Call to Order

Phil Belt called the regular golf committee meeting to order at 4:00 pm

Approval of Order of Business

The Agenda was accepted.

Minutes

Minutes of the February 15, 2018 meeting were approved.

Chairman's Remarks:

Phil reported that Rhonda was rating the Blessings Golf Course with a team from Missouri. She submitted the annual report and thanked all for contributions and corrections.

Director of Golf Report:

Tom reported that February was the wettest February on record for Arkansas with between 14.5 at Desoto to 19.55 inches of rain at Magellan. Rounds for February were down by 6,712.

The new score cards were out on March 1st except for Isabella which arrived today.

There are now five Nine and Dine outings scheduled and they are planning on a new members only couples tournament tentatively scheduled for July 13 & 14. Details will be finalized with help from the golf committee.

Tom mentioned that Sandy had written a great article on Martha McAlister and the Golf Department congratulates her on receiving the Isaac B. Grainger Award for her 25 years of service as a USGA rules official.

There are new owners at Isabella and the restaurant is scheduled to open April 2.

There were 144 players in the MGA kickoff event.

Tom mentioned that green speed will be added to the course conditions report and there will no longer be restaurant news.

Agronomist Report:

Gary reported that they are now closing courses for four days to aerate greens, fairways, collars and rough all at the same time.

Gary introduced Johnnie Hargrove, the Cortez superintendent for the past six years. Johnnie reported that they have replaced the walkover bridge on hole 14. He said they are continuing to put white sand in bunkers, working on greens, applying pre-emergent, trimming trees and shrubs and working on flower beds. They have repaired the drain on hole 16 and have painted the shop and restroom. He said they were back on a regular schedule on greens and will aerate in a couple of weeks. He said they will start grinding mulch beds and will add one on hole 16.

Board Liaison Comments:

The board meeting is next week so Mike had nothing new to report.

Golf Ambassador Program

Rhonda was absent but Tom reported that they had a meeting last week with Stacey, Kevin, Tom and Rhonda. He said some of the realtors were for the program and some were not. They want to train 5 ambassadors for golf and two for tennis. They decided to take a package to the Board of Realtors.

New Committee Member

Phil introduced Okey Bess as the new member of the Golf Committee. He will be approved by the April meeting.

Handicap Committee Meeting

Jim reported that they had the handicap committee meeting on February 16. The golf department was represented and four of the six leagues had members there. They discussed temporary handicaps and posting scores properly.

Committee Input/Suggestions:

Grover asked about making a tee time to play 9 holes. Matt explained that the only way to make a 9 hole tee time for play before noon is to call the course the day prior to play. A tee time for 9 holes in the afternoon can be made anytime. A nine hole score can be posted.

Mike wondered if there had been any feedback on the new score cards. Tom said he hadn't heard much.

Guests/Guest Comments

Don Bollin said that he thinks the superintendents have done a great job, and he had only missed four days of golf with all the rain.

Meeting Adjourned at 4:30 pm.

Next meeting April 19, 2018