

VILLAGE OF NORTH PALM BEACH  
GOLF ADVISORY BOARD  
MINUTES of JUNE 21, 2021

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Steve Mathison at 6:00 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

A. <u>Board:</u>	Present	Absent
Stephen Mathison – Chairman	x	
Rich Pizzolato – Vice Chairman	x	
Curtis Witters – Secretary	x	
Jeff Egizio – Member		x
Landon Wells – Member	x	
Orlando Puyol – Member	x	
Sandra Felis – Member	x	
B. <u>Staff Members:</u>		
Allan Bowman, Director of Golf	x	
Beth Davis, General Manager		
Lenore Dingle, Membership Coordinator		
C. <u>Council Members:</u>		
Darryl Aubrey		
Susan Bickel		
Mark Mullinix		
David Norris	x	
Deborah Searcy		

D. Public Present:

III. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

A. Minutes of the May 17, 2021 GAB Meeting were approved 6-0.

IV. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Golf Report. Allan Bowman, Director of Golf, delivered his report.

We aerated the tees, approaches, and greens two weeks ago and the course is healing well. The equipment necessary to aerate the fairways and to perform root pruning did not arrive. Those projects will be completed in July.

The pond banks on holes 3, 7, 8, 13, and 14 have been repaired. The banks on holes 17 and 18 will require reinforcement in order to hold the banks in place. Approximately 1200 linear feet of reinforcement will be needed. This project will be complete next year.

The installation of the pipe to run from the pump house to US 1 was delayed because the vendor delivered the incorrect pipe. The correct pipe is on order.

Tree trimming is ongoing and will continue on July 12-14 and August 16-19.

The proposal for construction of a starter's booth came in at \$48,000, and is being reviewed. Also under consideration is a shelter for the staff in the staging area.

Purchase of a standing clock for the staging area will be considered by the Council on July 8<sup>th</sup>. A second clock for the driving range is under consideration.

We are obtaining quotes for the refurbishing of the restrooms on the course.

A six-foot high fence, 185 feet in length has been installed between the driving range and the 10<sup>th</sup> hole.

The course will close for a few days in July and in August for aeration of the

fairways, and the second treatment of the greens with 3/8" tines. The aeration is being completed by filling the holes with organic soil, mixed 50/50 with sand.

The enhanced foliar fertilization program will go before the Council on July 8<sup>th</sup>.

The rounds report shows play is up and revenue is exceeding expectations.

Allan presented his proposal for group play tee times, suggesting that it is more equitable for all golfers. A copy of the proposal is attached.

The Board discussed the proposal at length and voted 5-1 to recommend Allan's proposal to Council.

Our annual survey will be sent out to Village residents, Club Members, and area visitors. Rich Pizzolato assisted Allan in preparing the survey.

Allan is working on the 2021-2022 budget for the course. Some of the items under consideration are:

- i. The improvement of the pump house which has not been properly maintained over the years.
- ii. New wiring for the irrigation system.
- iii. A wash plant to retain and treat water.
- iv. A weather station.

We are observed some of the old 419 grass coming out in some areas of the course. This grass overpowers the Latitude 26.

North Palm Beach Country Club is honored to be listed as Number 20 in the Golf Magazine list of the top municipal golf courses in the United States!

## V. DISCUSSION TOPICS

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

The next meeting will be July 19, 2021.

Minutes by Curtis L. Witters, Secretary.

#### IV. STARTING TIMES/TEE TIME POLICY

- a. Preference for advance reservation of tee times will be given as follows:
  - a. Member: 14 days in advance
  - b. All others: 10 days in advance
- b. Credit card authorization will be required when making all tee time reservations (Members and Non-members). Non-member credit card may be charged 100% of the green fees if their tee time reservations are cancelled less than 24 hours before scheduled play. Club Member credit card holders may be charged 100% of the cart fee if tee time reservations are cancelled less than 24 hours before scheduled play and the tee time cannot not be sold.
- c. Members may only obtain reservations by calling the golf shop or using the online tee time reservation system at [www.village-npb.org](http://www.village-npb.org) Allocation of tee times begins at 6:30a.m. One (1) tee time will be allotted per player, per day. **The name of all players in your group should be given when making your tee time.**
- d. The Head Golf Professional has sole authority over all tee times and is responsible to insure the following:
  - a. That enough tee times are available to allow for an adequate number of non-member rounds (recommended a minimum of 2 per hour and a maximum of 3).
  - b. Tee time allocation is equitable to all members and that unrestricted time are on a first come first serve basis.
- e. Only one person in a foursome is allowed to schedule a tee time. If more than one tee time appears for a foursome, that foursome will lose the earlier time. The names of all players should be given when the tee times are reserved.
- f. Reserved tee times will be for twosomes, threesomes, and foursomes only. Twosomes will be paired with other twosomes whenever possible. Each tee time will be filled with four (4) players; single players may fill an open slot at the discretion of the Golf Shop staff. Singles will be paired with twosomes and threesomes.
- g. Restricted Tee Times: The Head Golf Professional will restrict tee times for

all Club events including Men's and Women's Golf Associations, (WGA and MGA), Club Tournaments and the tee time slots between 11:15 and 12:15 for inter club league play. All restricted tee times will be equitably allocated based on the following:

- a. An interclub league is defined as a minimum of 12 players and may not exceed 28 players (the league must be comprised of 90% NPBCC members). Cross pollination of leagues is not permitted.
  - b. Leagues must be assigned a captain
  - c. Leagues must submit a roster to the Head Golf Professional prior to the start of the membership season
  - d. League Play may be played 6 days a week (No group play on Wednesdays as that morning will be set aside for 48 golfers from MGA or WGA. Each organization will have 2 Wednesday per month for the exception of November and December in which they will each receive 1 Wednesday).
  - e. League play will occur between 11:15 am and 12:15 pm
  - f. A restricted tee time lottery will be conducted by the Head Golf Professional on the 15<sup>th</sup> of the previous month of anticipated play (play for November – lottery will be conducted Oct 15<sup>th</sup>)
  - g. Lottery ticket will be filled out complete and will have all necessary information (the more flexible the league with regards to days will result in higher chance of success)
  - h. Any cancellation within 24 hrs or no shows will be charged to the league Captain
  - i. MGA / WGA season will run from 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday in October until the end of April
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- h. Tournament schedules and course closings for spraying and periodic maintenance will be posted in advance, when possible.
  - i. All Special Event requests must be submitted to the Head Golf Professional and or Club Manager for review at least thirty (30) days in advance of the event. Upon their approval, the request will be scheduled by the Head Golf Professional.