

VILLAGE OF NORTH PALM BEACH
GOLF ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES of October 19, 2020

I. CALL TO ORDER

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

II. ROLL CALL

A. Present:

Stephen Mathison – Chairman

Rich Pizzolato – Vice Chairman

David Talley – Member

Jeff Egizio – Member

Landon Wells - Member

Absent:

Curtis Witters – Secretary

Jeff Irish – Member

B. Staff Members Present:

Allan Bowman, Director of Golf

Beth Davis, General Manager

C. Council Members Present:

None Present

D. Public Present:

None

III. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

- A. Minutes of the September 21, 2020 GAB Meeting were approved 5-0.

IV. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

GOLF REPORT: Allan Bowman, Director of Golf, delivered his report.

On October 1st at 4:00 a.m. we received about 5.33 inches of rain in a very short period of time and in the afternoon, we received another deluge of 2 inches. Normal monthly totals for October are 8 inches and we are approaching 23 inches for October. This has resulted in delaying the bunker facing project. It also has required us to review the drainage issues throughout the golf course. We'll be using the existing contractor to repair any existing damage to the bunker work previously completed. We'll also be using the existing contractor to resume the ongoing bunker project beginning in May of next year.

An insurance claim is being submitted for both the damage to the bunkers and loss of revenue. We are continuing to see how we can create protection to avoid similar issues in the future.

All bunkers being worked on will be staked as GRI until such time as the repairs are complete and new grass is well established.

No permanent solution to the drainage issues have been developed although we are looking at all possible alternative.

The goal is to have all the heavy equipment off the golf course by November 1 weather permitting.

ROUNDS REPORT:

A review of the 2020 performance dashboard showed a better than expected YTD result. The course exceeded the budgeted rounds of 42,500 by almost 7,000 rounds in spite of a 5-week closure. The Golf also exceed the budgeted revenue projection for 2020.

Steve Matheson asked about Pool and Tennis. Per Beth, both did better than in past years but both lost money YTD. Overall the Club encompassing all entities did better that budget YTD. Beth was going to get back to the GAB regarding how the revenues will be

applied to the overall enterprise fund and the allocation between Golf, Tennis and Pool. Also discussed was the reserve of capital for future course improvements. Beth discussed the review of the overall revenue reporting for the Enterprise. She indicated that as soon as the numbers were worked out that she would get back to the GAB. Dave Talley also indicated that he would check with the Finance Committee to see where we are with our Financial reporting and our loan repayment schedule.

MEMBERSHIP: 20 people did not renew and waitlist members will be contacted for membership. Only NPB residents are now being added to the existing waitlist. Membership roster for 2019 was approximately 65%-70% of our golf members are village residents and 30% - 35% are nonresidents. Under the current membership model, it's estimated, if we would replace all non-resident members with resident membership the resident member dues would need to increase by \$500/members to offset the loss of the non-member revenue. Allan asked the Board to once again begin thinking about whether in the future Village residents should be given some priority in becoming members of the club. Rich Pizzolato offer some insight into possibly looking at membership and rounds separately. He was going to send some ideas off to both Allan and Beth.

COVID UPDATE: Beginning in November carts will have 2 rider or be charged an extra cart fee when applicable. All cart will have plastic dividers between riders. 10 min. tee time intervals will begin in November.

V. DISCUSSION TOPICS

The Club's cancellation policy/no-show policy will once again be enforced at the discretion of the Director of Golf, starting November 1. These policies are explicitly defined in the Clubs Rule book.

Club Championship will be held on Nov. 6-7. The 9 and Dine events will once again be started on the 1st Monday of each month (except in November which is the 9th). The cost will be \$50 per enterent which includes the golf fee and Dinner at Farmers Table.

The November GAB meeting will be in person as opposed to ZOOM.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

The next meeting will be November 16, 2020.

Minutes by Rich Pizzolato, Vice Chairman