

GREENS COMMITTEE MINUTES

JUNE 5, 2018

Members Present: Vern Duggan, Mary Lou Trautmann, Gayle Wilcox, Sheila Nokes, Gary Yando, Budd Morrow, Lance Levine,

Members Absent: Ed Irvin and Tom Taylor

Staff Present: Deborah Wallace, Ron Stull and Jason Howerton

Guest Present: Dick Getchell, Steve Saylor and John Torkelson

Meeting was called to order by chair Vern Duggan at 2:00pm

Minutes: Were reviewed and a motion was made to approve them by Gayle Wilcox and a second by Mary Lou Trautmann.

Greens Report: It is Go Time on the golf course getting ready for the ladies Shamrock Tournament. The course is ready and looks good. Bathrooms on #5 have been completed and the floors were painted and mirrors will be installed. The crew has been keeping an eye on watering the course do so most mornings now and this will change as the weather warms up. General maintenance continues. There are a few trouble areas that are being addresses.

Financial Report: Next year's budget projections were discussed. The chain of command process was reviewed. Due to age of equipment the cost of maintenance has gone up. Repair on the Nibbler and the pump house needs to be addressed now.

Pro Shop Report: Ron reported on what a wonder job Jason and his crew has been doing with our golf course. The sanding program is making a big difference. Ron also thanked Deborah for all her input and hard work on the yearly budget. We now have our own website up and running with a link to the Lake Limerick Website.

Youth on Course is awaiting Paul Wagner's signature and we will then submit our paperwork to get the program running here at Lake Limerick. He would like to see more of a profit on the merchandise we sell but it is priced so members will buy and that is a good thing.

Ron and a few members of the committee took a field trip to the Sand Point Center to take a look at their indoor virtual driving range. John Torkelson presented a proposal to review at our next meeting.

Capital budget was discussed.

Rain Garden and Pond were discussed. There is a lot of sediment and plant matter in the pond now. A Hydrology Report needs to be done to the area. There was much discussion on the matter. This and other capital projects were discussed.

A motion was made to have John Steidel create a preliminary plan for a chipping green, warm up area and driving range. Cost of plan is \$1800.00

The Inn Committee will work with the Greens Committee and Brandon on putting together a beverage cart for this summer.

Motion was made to adjourn at 3:30 by Ed Irvin and second by Budd Morrow

Respectfully submitted by Sheila Nokes

Our next Greens meeting will be July 3rd 2018

Motion to the Board of Directors:

Gayle Wilcox made a motion with a second by Lance Levine to request \$1800.00 to pay John Steidel a golf course architect to create a preliminary plan for improvements to the Pro Shop/Café which will include practice and warm up areas. For the purpose of short and long range planning See attached documents.

Motion passed unanimously

Greens Committee Attachment

Request for \$1800 to Pay John Steidel to create plans for the Pro Shop, Café,
Practice and Warmup Areas

Bio:

John Steidel is a Golf Course Architect living in Kennewick, Washington. He has been working in this field since 1973. His services include Golf Course Design, Irrigation Engineering, Remodeling Consultation and Site Planning.

Education:

University of California, Santa Barbara, 1967 - 1968 emphasis in geography.

University of California, Berkeley, 1967 – 1971, Bachelor of Arts Degree; landscape Architecture, emphasis in Landscape Design and Horticulture.

California Polytechnic University, Pomona, 1976, graduate work in Urban Planning.

Professional Experience:

John has worked continually in the golf course architecture since 1975. He has also obtained memberships at numerous related organizations and has been a guest speaker and on Advisory Boards at various organizations.

John has designed 18 golf courses including Canyon Lakes Golf Course, Eaglemont Golf Club and Wildhorse Resort Golf Course. He has remodeled nearly 50 golf courses. Included are Seattle Golf Club, Broadmoor Golf Club in Seattle, and Portland Golf Club in Portland, OR.

Attached is a full list of all the courses he has designed or rebuilt.

John has created projects that we are interested in doing; La Rinconada Country Club in Los Gatos, CA and Corvallis Country Club. Attached are four schematics that he produced for Corvallis Country Club.

What John will do for us:

John will be retained for creating a “best use” of the area around our Pro Shop/Café. John will do a site visit and then three schematic drawings for us to review. We will review the three plans and make changes to our liking. He will then update the final drawing.

What we hope to accomplish is a complete plan for the whole area around the Pro Shop and Café area for future changes. The goal is to maximize the “best use” of our practice and warmup areas, outdoor sitting for the café and possible addition to the Pro Shop Café.

Why the Greens Committee is asking for the plans:

Our number one goal is to establish a great short-game practice facility. Jason and I have visions of a 15,000 square foot green for putting, chipping and bunker practice. We should, also, at the same time make plans for relocating our warmup nets to be incorporated in the new area. This could change the look of the current area around the pro shop. John will give us what we need to improve all these areas. The plans would ensure that we would be able to construct the chipping green in the correct location and not jeopardize future possibilities.

How will it help bring in new revenue?

A first-rate practice area can be used to create new events, (putting ladders, par 2 chipping and putting tournaments) as well as, a place to hang out and practice the short game. Improving the short game is the easiest way to lower your golf scores. Many players spend more time on the short game than the long game. I believe when the word gets out that we have the best short game practice area around, they will come and use our facility. I believe that this will end up being more rounds of golf played because they are likely to be here already, might as well play nine holes. The money spent on food and beverage should also have a positive result.