

LLCC Greens Committee Meeting MINUTES
Tuesday, December 3, 2024 (1:30 PM – Pro Shop Café)

(NO Motions this meeting for Board action)
(Still awaiting action from previous motion to HIRE A MECHANIC)

ATTENDEES: Vern Duggan, Robbi Alberts, Ed Irvin, Lance Levine, Keith Smith
[Excused: Joel Gray, Tim Magee, Nancy & Roger Milliman, Sheila Nokes, Steve Saylor, Gayle Wilcox]

GUESTS: Dean Dyson, John Ingemi

STAFF: Mark Hendricks, Javier Martinez

Vern called the meeting to order at 1:38 PM. Thoughts and prayers for Sheila Nokes.

As this is Keith Smith's third meeting, the committee agreed to add him as a member (*he is a former Greens Chair*).

Minutes: Lance Levine moved to: **APPROVE MINUTES FROM THE NOVEMBER 5, 2024 GREENS COMMITTEE MEETING**. Ed Irvin seconded, and the motion **PASSED**.

Greens Report: Javier Martinez said he hopes everyone had a nice Thanksgiving with their loved ones. Temperatures are changing, but Javier and his four crew members are ready to keep the course in shape for the winter.

Things accomplished in October: The storms and temperatures made it hard to accomplish our goals this month, but crews maintained the course making sure it was playable ... kept the course clean from debris ... cleaned up the extra asphalt on #8, and along path to #4 ... have been mowing the course whenever weather permitted ... and, with help from Maintenance, were able to put new doors on #5 restroom. (*NOTE: These doors are programmed to be OPEN during the day, right now until 5 PM – that will be extended later in the season. No need to use the code during the day. They are locked at night, and cannot be opened with a code. These are similar to our other parks' restrooms.*)

Things to accomplish in November: Prepare the course for freezing temperatures ... Catch up on odd jobs that are needed in the shop area ... Do regular maintenance on the course with weather permitting.

Topics to Discuss: Javier is having his crew members alternately use their vacation during this slower month, and he's trying to use some of his, too. They will work together to make sure there is always someone at the course.

Javier said his team and he would like to wish everyone a safe, happy holiday and a fantastic New Year.

Vern suggested that crews leave "**temporary holes**" in place during this cold season, so they can easily just move the flags to the temporary holes when necessary due to winter frost on greens, allowing golfers to start play earlier.

Vern also asked about updating **out-of-bound markers** and putting them back in working order? Robbi mentioned that the **Ladies Club has offered to donate up to \$500** to purchase PVC pipe to help replace Out-of-Bound markers. Javier said they would work on that.

There was a question about red, and blue, paint on some of the out-of-bound markers? For instance, on #6 & 7, red means those folks don't want anyone going in their yards to retrieve balls. And on #8 and #3, the red means "100 yards out" and blue means "200 yards out" (since it's sometimes hard to see the flat colored yardage markers in the middle of the fairway). Vern asked Javier if he could install a "red & white stake" 100-yard marker on #8.

The drainage installed on #2 is doing a fantastic job! But there is still a wet spot near the trees on the left on #2 that could use fixing. Javier will work on that.

Vern said he recently overheard our former Greenskeeper Jason tell someone how proud he was of Javier taking such great care of this course! *Kudos, Javier & crew!*

ProShop Report: Mark Hendricks reported Pro Shop **REVENUES** for November were higher than the previous year ... 2024 revenue was \$6,102.34, vs. \$3,936.55 in 2023. We're well on our way to meeting our 2025 budget plan of increasing revenues by \$40,000.

The Lake Limerick **CALENDAR** is in the final stages. We hoped to have them by Dec. 1, but they will be delivered by the end of this week.

The "**12 Days of Holiday Deals 2024**" for LLCC Pro Shop/Café have been announced:

- 1) **Sat, 12/7:** **PUNCH CARD** special: For each punch card sold, get 1 free sleeve of Srixon balls.
- 2) **Sun, 12/8:** **NEW GOLF MEMBER?** Purchase a new annual golf membership for 2025 (Mar-Feb), and receive 14 months instead of 12.
- 3) **Mon, 12/9:** **20% off Club RE-GRIPS**
- 4) **Tues, 12/10:** **FREE 2025 Lake Limerick CALENDAR** when you spend \$30 in the Pro Shop.
- 5) **Wed, 12/11:** 30% off select **STOCKING STUFFERS** for the golfers in your family.
- 6) **Thur, 12/12:** Buy **ONE ROUND** of golf, and get **ONE ROUND FREE**.
- 7) **Fri, 12/13:** Buy a \$100 **GIFT CERTIFICATE** and receive 9-holes of complimentary **GOLF**.
- 8) **Sat, 12/14:** 30% off all **HEADWEAR** (Great Hats Galore!)
- 9) **Sun, 12/15:** Buy **ONE ROUND** of golf, and get **ONE ROUND FREE**.
- 10) **Mon, 12/16:** **FREE CART RENTAL** with purchase of Green Fees.
- 11) **Tues, 12/17:** **25% off EVERYTHING** in the Pro Shop! (Apparel & golf accessories!)
- 12) **BONUS 12-18 to 12-20:** Get **ANY** special you missed above through Dec. 20th

Stop by on ANY of the 12 days for a cup of **coffee**! If you wear a Santa Hat, you might get a **Cookie**!

Staff and volunteers continue to make a positive difference every day. A shout out to **Russ Preuitt, Barb Carmichael** and **Karen Summers** for covering the Pro Shop and keeping us open while Dave & Mark were able to travel to be with family for Thanksgiving.

The five new (used) **golf carts** are now in our possession. Thank you, Board and membership, for voting to approve the purchase! [They arrived without covers and sand bottles, but the salesman will make sure we get those too.]

Again, the **drainage** improvements on the course seem to be making a positive difference!

Finally, a big shout-out to **Robin LaRoche** who is promoting Seahawks watching parties at the Pro Shop, as well as bussing tables and washing dishes during those events. With fewer golfers in the winter, Pro Shop staff helps out in the café. And we now have new **Café Chef Sabrina** working, and the hours are **Fri/Sat/Sun, 9 AM to 3 PM**.

Comments from the Chair: Vern thanked everyone for helping make this a great year for our club, and wished everyone a happy holiday while we keep in mind those who are suffering.

Vern will be sponsoring a **Golf Tournament/Potluck to benefit our Grounds Crew** – on **Wed, Dec. 18th**. It will be a 9-hole scramble, silver tees. No entry fee, just donations: Cash for the grounds crew, and potluck items for lunch following. Shotgun tee-off is 10:30 AM, lunch ~12:30 PM. Sign up sheet in the Pro Shop, including what you'll bring to the potluck. Sign up as a team, or individual (and you'll be put on a team). We want to show our appreciation for the care these folks take of our course!

Vern said it's getting really hard to Chair this committee right now due to the way people are being treated and the hoops we have to go through. We need to receive **direction from the Board**. Our committee's recommendations should be going directly to the Board, without filter.

There was quite a bit of discussion on HOA activities. Vern said it's important members are aware of what's going on, and that they get involved.

OLD BUSINESS

Golf Carts: As mentioned by Mark, the five new (used) carts have arrived. This completes our five-year project of updating our fleet. Now they need to be maintained...(we need a Mechanic!!)

2024-25 Revenues: Also mentioned by Mark, our revenues keep going up! (*Kudos to Staff & volunteers!*)

Projects for 2024-25: We should figure out what the course needs, and prepare our recommendations.

Mechanic: We need to hire a **full-time Mechanic now**! Javier said he and Shannon recently interviewed a great candidate. Javier is just waiting for the go-ahead from Shannon? Where does this stand?

NEW BUSINESS

Lance asked Javier about possibly **lowering the collars around the greens**? Javier said he is looking into that, along with filling in and repairing some of the **low-spots on the greens**.

ADJOURN: At 2:25 PM, Lance moved to: **ADJOURN**. Ed Irvin seconded, and the motion PASSED.

NOTES BY ROBBIE

NO motions this meeting for Board action.

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