

MCC Board Meeting

8/13/2018

Present: Mark Walker Lance Loftus Todd Faulkner David Glass
Chuck Wood Brandon Thompson David Bunch Lee Childress

Absent: Leon Crenshaw

- The July meeting minutes were reviewed and unanimously approved.
- The meeting began with a discussion of two visitors at the club today getting caught not following the rules of the MCC. Lee confronted the visitors and a verbal confrontation ensued. Lee asked the visitors to leave club property. After further verbal exchange, Lee contacted Mark Walker and the Massac County Sherriff. The visitors left the site prior to the Sherriff arriving. After a review of Club policy regarding visitors, the Board will reestablish that all visitors must be accompanied by or sponsored by a club member. All visitors renting a cart must provide a copy of their driver's license and visitors must return rental carts prior to the club house closing time. David Bunch is going to check on placing a lockbox in the rental cart shed so that members keeping a rental cart outside of regular hours can replace the carts to the shed and lock the keys away. Lee will notify grill staff of this decision. An updated members' list will be provided to the grill personnel.
- There were no financial reports from last month to approve.
- Lee Childress provided the superintendents report:
 - The maintenance crew lost two workers this week due to their return to college. Keeping up with the mowing over the next few weeks might be a challenge. Additional part time workers will be hired if suitable candidates are identified.
 - The greens are in good shape but the goose grass problem has worsened. Lee said the goose grass can be removed if done properly and minimal scarring is left that will quickly heal. There was some discussion on organizing a club workday and training the volunteers on how to properly remove the goose grass. Nothing definitive was decided.
 - Lee has identified a chemical that can suppress the growth but the chemical is expensive to purchase and is not available from our regular supplier. The estimated cost of the chemical is ~\$600/6 oz., and applied at a rate of 0.05oz/gal of water. The chemical must be "daubed" onto the goose grass with an applicator. The Board agreed to the purchase of the chemical in as timely a manner as possible so that the application process can proceed. Frost/freezes over the winter will kill most of the goose grass. We treat the greens two times a year (March and June) with pre-emergent, but the summer weather we have been experiencing is very conducive to goose grass growth.

- Visiting golfers during the Metropolis Open complimented the MCC on the condition of the course. Many other courses with bent grass greens have lost their greens and/or are completely inundated with goose grass.
 - Minor discussion was held on converting our greens to Bermuda. The upfront costs are a concern to the board but the idea that the long term maintenance costs are significantly less make the conversion attractive. Another downside is that the conversion would need to occur in the second half of summer and members would lose use of the course during the conversion process.
 - Lee was asked to get the weeds around the cart sheds cut and/or sprayed.
 - Lee was asked to look into replacing the ties used to form the sand pit; this was suggested as an offseason project. The ties are falling apart and the area is an eyesore.
 - Lee reported his dissatisfaction with Little Tractors' slow response to our tractor repairs. He will try and avoid having them perform tractor maintenance for us in the future.
 - We have received the replacement shaft for the aerator and will be putting the aerator back together soon. The rest of the course equipment is in good working order.
 - Lee was asked to try and keep the front ditch area clean. Todd will talk to county personnel about giving us some assistance.
- Chuck Wood reported that he has filed a complaint on behalf of the club to the Health Department regarding the septic overflow coming onto our property at No. 11 green area.
 - Chuck also reported that one of our neighbors is building a pond and will sell loads of dirt at \$10/load. Chuck is going to pursue finding someone to haul us some of this dirt.
 - Finance Committee Report:

General Fund Balance:	\$28,945
Facilities Fee Fund:	\$28,841
 - Tournaments – Lee reported that the club earned about \$2200 for the Superman Couples Tournament and \$1200 for the Metropolis Open. However, no tournament reconciliation reports have been filed.
 - The firm that installed the asphalt and culvert leading to the back parking area will return to make repairs to the washed out section. Todd contacted them during this meeting and they stated we are on their to-do list.
 - A list of trespassers to the swimming pool was presented to the Board. The Sherriff's office caught 6 unauthorized people in the pool about 1:25 am on 7/31/2018. No tickets were issued and the Board currently does not intend to press charges. However, Brandon Thompson will draft a letter to the offenders and the MCC will notify these folks of our intent to prosecute in the future.
 - New signs will be posted at each access gate o the pool concerning the closing time (10 pm) and "No Trespassing".
 - A review of social and golfing members with delinquent dues was conducted. Five golfing members will receive expulsion letters following this meeting. Late fees start for the delinquent

social members starting 8/15/2018. The board will resume the practice of posting delinquent members names at the club. The postings will remain until the members either pay their current amount due, they resign, or they are expelled.

- Harry Curtis has requested that he be allowed to place a donation jar in the club house for a Graves County school/home for disadvantaged children. Although the Board was sympathetic to the cause, there was concern about what other organizations and members might want to try and collect funds for. The Board decided against this and other such donation collections. Collections for members and member's families may be considered on a case by case basis.
- New Business – Additional golf balls and gloves need to be stocked in the club house prior to this week's tournament. Chuck Wood will contact Leon to see if he can make the purchase for the club.
- Three new Active members were unanimously approved during the meeting – Cary Nichols, Heather Heisner and Patricia Adkins. Welcome letters will be sent to the new members immediately.
- The Board meeting start time will be changed to 5 pm on the second Monday of the month until further notice.
- Meeting adjourned.