

Mount Pleasant Golf Club
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Established 1910

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Minutes of the One Hundred Fifth Annual Meeting
December 3, 2015

Unapproved Minutes – For Member Review

A quorum being present, President Jay Heelon called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. with all board members present.

A moment of silence was observed in memory of all departed members and friends of Mount Pleasant.

President Heelon thanked all members who have contributed to the ongoing welfare of the club. He noted the hard work and dedication of Joel Jenkins, Sean Tully, and Jack Hassett.

Vice President Howarth recognized the honorary members and former club presidents in attendance.

Motion by Jim Moriarty, seconded by Bob Healy, to waive the reading of the minutes of the 2014 Annual Meeting. Vote unanimous. Motion passed.

AUDITING COMMITTEE REPORT

Auditing Committee Chairman Michael Bowser stated that he and Jay Frediani met with Treasurer Brian Campbell to review club financial records. Mike reported that he and Jay asked many questions that were fully answered by Brian. Mike reported that the financial controls in place are working and the financial records are in order.

Mike noted the extent of Brian Campbell's responsibilities and recommended that back-up be provided to Brian in the form of a treasurer's or finance committee.

Motion by Bob Healy, seconded by Jim Moriarty, to accept the report of the Auditing Committee. Vote unanimous. Motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Brian Campbell reviewed the financial statement and report of auditors Shannon & Associates (Exhibit A, which is made a part of these minutes), explaining all significant changes in revenue and expenditures. Brian answered questions and stated that an increase in bar prices is likely effective in May. Brian praised several people for their efforts over the past year, including Joel Jenkins, Sean Tully, Jack Hassett, the bar and pro shop staff, the Auditing Committee, the Board of Directors, and Jay Heelon, Garry Murphy and Jim Cassin for their service to the club.

Brian thanked all others who gave their time and skills to help the club.

Motion by Tom Livingston, seconded by John Murphy, to accept the report of the Treasurer. Vote unanimous. Motion passed.

GOLF COURSE COMMITTEE REPORT

Chairman John Griffin thanked his committee for their input and support over the past year. He also thanked the greens staff; volunteers of the spring clean-up, and the board for their efforts and co-operation during the past year. He also thanked Jack Hassett and his staff for their tireless efforts to getting and maintaining the course in outstanding condition. The damage to the course over the winter was extensive

John noted several course improvements this the year including the installation of curbing for both aesthetic and practical purposes as well as tree removal and pruning to improve condition for growing grass.

Motion by Brendan Flynn, seconded by George Emerson, to accept the report of the Golf Course Committee. Vote unanimous. Motion passed.

HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

Chairman Jim Cassin thanked his committee noting their hard work and dedication. Jim reported on the many successful house events over the past year. Jim expressed thanks to the membership for their strong support.

Thanks were also extended to Joel Jenkins, Sean and Colleen Tully, Dick Hennessey, Tom Lamond, Bob Callery, Jim Young, Donna McMahon, Bob and Dianne McLeod, Dan and Karen Moynihan, and all the bar and wait staff.

Motion by Bob Healy, seconded by Victor Kiloski, to accept the report of the House Committee. Vote unanimous. Motion passed.

TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

Chairman Gary Walsh thanked his committee for their participation and help in planning tournament events and for their suggestions for changes that increased the enjoyment and participation of the membership.

Gary thanked the pro shop staff and the membership for their support and participation. He also thanked Jack Hassett and the greens crew, and expressed his gratitude for those who helped in the Junior Clinics, Pro-Days, and the Perkins School for the Blind event. Gary also thanked Sean Tully, Mark Duffy, and the bar and kitchen staff.

Motion by Dan Walsh, seconded by Dave Mungovan, to accept the report of the Tournament Committee. Vote unanimous. Motion passed.

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Mark Duffy updated the membership on the status of the efforts to improve communications. The purpose of the Communications Committee is to inform the membership and to promote club events.

Mark noted an email open rate of 52% and a steadily increasing revisit rate which indicate the membership has responded very well to the email blasts.

Motion by George Emerson, seconded by Donna McMahon, to accept the report of the Communications Committee. Vote unanimous. Motion passed.

OLD BUSSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

President Heelon responded to questions concerning the dues adder card for certain board members approved then rescinded. Members expressing concern included Jamie McCabe, Brian Donovan, and Pat Donovan.

Richard O'Loughlin asked about the status of a proposed practice area. President Heelon and John Griffin reported that current board tabled the proposal for consideration by the incoming Board of Directors.

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Committee Chairperson Chris Finneral thanked the Nominating Committee members for their efforts and reported that the following are the selections of the Nominating Committee for the indicated offices, and are thereby nominated:

President:	Jason Howarth
Vice-President:	Gary Walsh
Secretary:	John Johnson
Treasurer:	Brian Campbell
Golf Course (Greens) Committee Chair:	John Griffin
House Committee Chair:	Donna McMahon

Golf (Tournament) Committee Chair: Phil Regan
Advisor: Mark Duffy
Gerry Foley

The following candidates, although not nominated by the committee, expressed their desire to have their names placed on the ballot for the indicated position:

Vice-President: Chris Green
Secretary: Bob McLeod
House Committee: Shaun McCarty
Greens Committee: Scott Pare
Adviser: Andrea Dutile

Motion by Dave Mungovan, seconded by LeeAnn Connors, to accept the report of the Nominating Committee. Vote unanimous. Motion passed.

Motion – By Sean Moriarty, seconded by Artie Robinson, that the Secretary cast one vote for all uncontested candidates. Vote unanimous. Motion passed.

Nominating Committee Chair Chris Finneral reported that Garry Murphy has been nominated for Honorary Membership. John Griffin spoke in favor of supporting Garry for Honorary Membership.

President Heelon then called for a vote.

Motion by Mike L'Hussier, seconded by Brian Meade, to approve, by a show of hands, the nomination of Garry Murphy for Honorary Membership. Vote near unanimous. Motion passed.

President Heelon asked for nominations from the floor of candidates who were not nominated by the Nominating Committee but requested their name be placed on the ballot.

Motion by Ken Bowser, seconded by Andy McCabe, to nominate Chris Green for the office of Vice-President.

Motion by Paul Dubuque, seconded by Pat Donovan, to nominate Bob McLeod for the office of Secretary.

Motion by Andy McCabe, seconded by Tim Patterson, to nominate Shaun McCarty for House Committee Chair.

Motion by Pat Donovan, seconded by Sean Casey, to nominate Scott Pare for Greens Committee Chair.

Motion by Andy McCabe, seconded by Kelley Kiriakakos, to nominate Andrea Dutile for Advisor.

The Nominating Committee conducted the voting. Chris Finneral and Tim Green distributed the ballots. Tim Patterson joined Bob Healy and Tom Livingston in counting the votes for the election of officers and directors.

The following are the results of the contested offices:

Vice-President:	Gary Walsh- 82 votes Chris Green- 104 votes
Secretary:	John Johnson- 92 votes Bob McLeod- 93 votes
House Chair:	Donna McMahan- 107 votes Shaun McCarty- 78 votes
Greens Chair:	John Griffin- 102 votes Scott Pare- 85 votes
Advisor:	Mark Duffy- 125 votes Gerry Foley- 139 votes Andrea Dutile- 54 votes

The following have been elected to the 2014-2015 Board of Directors:

President:	Jason Howarth
Vice-President:	Chris Green
Secretary:	Bob McLeod
Treasurer:	Brian Campbell
Greens Committee Chair:	John Griffin
House Committee Chair:	Donna McMahan
Tournament Committee Chair:	Phil Regan
Advisors:	Mark Duffy Gerry Foley

Jay Heelon expressed his gratitude for the opportunity to serve as club president and introduced President Howarth who expressed confidence in the continued good fortune of the club and then thanked everyone for their participation and called for a motion to adjourn.

Motion by John Griffin, seconded by Gary Walsh, to adjourn. Vote unanimous. Motion passed.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by President Howarth at 10:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted for the Final Time,

Garry P. Murphy,
Secretary