

Mount Pleasant Golf Club

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President

Chris Green
Vice-President

Bob McLeod
Secretary

Brian Campbell
Treasurer

Board of Directors Meeting

May 16, 2016

President Jason Howarth called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. with all board members present except Mark Duffy, John Griffin, and Phil Regan.

SECRETARY

Secretary presented the minutes from the 4/20/16.

Motion by Brian Campbell, seconded by Gerry Foley to accept the minutes of the 4/20/16 meeting. Vote unanimous - Motion passed.

Correspondence

- a) St Val's Men's Club (SVMC) request for sponsorship/donation - placed on file;
- b) Army Spc Mathew G. Boule Memorial Park request for sponsorship - placed on file;
- c) St Michael's School annual fundraiser request to waive hall rental – agreed;
- d) Fore Amber Zapatka Memorial Golf Tournament request for donation - placed on file;
- e) Lowell Catholic Golf Tournament – request for donation;
- f) D'Youville Golf Tournament at Vesper June 13, 2016 – request for donation (J Bukala);
- g) Fundraiser for Kaile Shanahan and Bone Marrow transplant - request donation (E McMahon);
- h) Brian Campbell requesting one time advance of stipend – agreed (Brian Campbell abstained);
- i) Dave Boyle – resigning Social membership, agreed;
- j) Scott Pratt – request Reg A to Reg AB, agreed;
- k) Shaun McCarty – request Reg AB to Social, agreed;
- l) Leo Creegan request Reg A to Reg AB, agreed
- m) Brian McCartin requesting Reg A to Social, agreed
- n) T Brinson – resigning youth membership, agreed
- o) C Carter resigning youth membership, agreed

Motion by Chris Green, seconded by Brian Campbell to donate a foursome with carts to Lowell Catholic Golf Tournament, D'Youville Golf Tournament, and the fundraiser for Kaile Shanahan Bone Marrow transplant. Vote unanimous (Gerry Foley abstained) - Motion passed.

Membership

The following were presented for Social membership: Robert Boudros, Patricia Cakounes, William Eckland, John King, Cleve Kinley, Andrew Loosigian, and Marjorie Thibodeau.

Motion by Gerry Foley, seconded by Donna McMahon to accept the seven (7) Social members. Vote unanimous - Motion passed.

Motion by Gerry Foley, seconded by Chris Green to accept the Secretary's report. Vote unanimous - Motion passed.

SEAN TULLY

Sean Tully joined the meeting at 7:30 p.m. for the regularly scheduled quarterly review.

Kitchen, it was agreed that LeeAnn's primary contact should be Sean, who would then contact the Board; the kitchen shall be allowed to close if the course is clearly 'unplayable' and the club house is quiet – otherwise the kitchen shall be open according to its posted hours; important to emphasize we are all attempting to 'build' a customer base via establishing a quality product/service; leagues and events should go utilize the kitchen for day to day and special events.

Employee Room (Safe room in rear of downstairs lounge) mostly cleaned out – painters still have some cleanup left; employee postings (Notices, Policies/ Sexual Harassment, etc.) are up; may be used for some storage, i.e., extra score cards, etc.

Upstairs to be targeted next: records and files; area behind upstairs bar for cleaning and decluttering.

Staff: establishing primary and secondary coverage, as well as summer hours and schedules; could use one or two more people, possibly a Sunday waitress.

Card games now regular a few times week – important to establish consistent rules and enforcement (last call, etc.).

Bookings via JONAS

Exploring educational options (classes, associations, etc.)

A few possible expenses; ice machine; ramp repairs to upstairs hall; a few pavers for the patio; mosquito spray being done weekly (Wed. from 6:00 to 8:00 a.m.).

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer reported the following:

- April Cash On Hand up;
- Fixed Assets – purchased a new Firewall for system;
- Accounts Payable down for the year;
- Earnings at \$74K through April 30th (at \$37K last year);
- \$21K in initiation fees to date (some split over two years);

- Bar revenue (both bars) up \$12.8K over last year (upstairs bar doing very well);
- Hall rental up in April;
- Greens and cart fees up over last year;
- Overall expenses are down and revenue is up.

As a result of health care cost increases for four employees from \$4,700/month to \$6,300/month, the employees will be notified a 10% contribution will be instituted effective June 1, 2016.

Brian is also scheduled to meet with the Finance Review Committee next month for their regular quarterly meeting.

He also reported the following account balances: Operating Account at \$30,641; Payroll Account at \$4,261; Money Market at \$575,916; Stabilization at \$ 5,127; for a total of \$615,946.

Motion by Donna McMahon, seconded by Gerry Foley to accept the Treasurer's report. Vote unanimous - Motion passed.

HOUSE COMMITTEE

- Scotch Comedy night was very successful;
- Awaiting installation date for downstairs carpet – hope to have in place for the City Tournament;
- Quote to replace chairs in downstairs lounge was \$25K – agreed to explore reupholstering existing chairs as well.

Motion by Chris Green, seconded by Brian Campbell to accept the House Committee's report. Vote unanimous - Motion passed.

GREEN'S COMMITTEE (Jason Howath)

- \$10K approved – Hole # 2 front (right of green) and back (end of cart path at tee); Hole #8/9 in front of garage; some minor patching and repairs; in the future to extend hole #4 at top of hill, and extend hole # 5 in tree area between tee and green.
- New flag courtesy of John Preston.
- Two items of note, 1) grassy area on # 6 tee box (strip between cart path/stones and tee box) showing a lot of wear, and 2) cart paths usage around # 9 green (more signage ? directions ?).

Motion by Donna McMahon, seconded by Gerry Foley to accept the Green's Committee report. Vote unanimous - Motion passed.

TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE

- Two Day Member Guest scheduled for July 8 & 9: lottery completed on 4/30; 48 teams in, 24 teams on wait list; results posted on Golf Genus
- Derby Day Par 3 was a success, good turnout
- Coed Member-Member May 13 very successful, full field of 72 players

- Meadow-Mount scheduled for June 4 at MP
- Member-3 Guest May 20 – morning and afternoon flights
- Golf Genius has been received very well, usage is increasing
- Year to Date we have donated 9 Foursomes with carts to local fundraisers
- Starters podium has been delivered, Pro Shop staff is very pleased

Motion by Chris Green, seconded by Brian Campbell to accept the Tournament Committee report. Vote unanimous - Motion passed.

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

No Report this month.

OLD BUSINESS

Review of Posted Members – after lengthy discussion and a review of the bylaws (Article 6, Section 3) there was one member in default who has not made an effort to contact Mount Pleasant; also twenty-three (23) Social members were identified who have not paid dues for the last two years.

Motion by Brian Campbell, seconded by Chris Green to expel the above members for non-payment of dues. Vote unanimous - Motion passed.

The Secretary presented Gene Diodati for Regular membership.

Motion by Gerry Foley, seconded by Donna McMahon to accept Gene Diodati as a Regular A member. Vote unanimous - Motion passed.

The Secretary presented Sean Doonan for Limited membership.

Motion by Chris Green, seconded by Brian Campbell to accept Sean Doonan as a Limited member. Vote unanimous - Motion passed.

Bylaws – deferred to next month when the full board is present

Long Range Plan – Gerry suggested board members begin canvassing members to collect data on what is important to the membership about Mount Pleasant, both currently and going forward (course, club house, legacy/history, affordability, etc.).

NEW BUSINESS

Letter to Interviewees – agreed to review and revisit.

Motion by Brian Campbell, seconded by Chris Green to adjourn. Vote unanimous - motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:43 p.m.

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, June 15th at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bob McLeod, Secretary