

# Mount Pleasant Golf Club

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*Established 1910*

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**Jason Howarth**  
*President*

**Chris Green**  
*Vice-President*

**Bob McLeod**  
*Secretary*

**Brian Campbell**  
*Treasurer*

## Board of Directors Meeting DRAFT

August 17, 2016

President Jason Howarth called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. with all board members present except Phil Regan.

### SECRETARY

Secretary presented the amended minutes from the 7/20/2016 meeting for review.

**Motion** by Mark Duffy, seconded by Gerry Foley to accept the minutes of the 7/20/2016 meeting. Vote unanimous - Motion passed.

### Correspondence

- a) From Garrett Sheehan and St. Patrick's School – thank you to Mount Pleasant and especially the staff for hosting their annual tournament (accepted);
- b) From Danny Rogers's 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Memorial Golf Tournament – request for donation (Mike McLeod);
- c) From Women's City Tournament Committee – thank you for donation to their program book (accepted);
- d) Request to allow Wednesday night Cribbage League to use the downstairs sun porch beginning in Sept (approximately 32 people beginning at 6:30 pm) from Ed McMahon – agreed, subject to the same terms as last year;
- e) The Center for Hope and Healing request for sponsorship – placed on file;
- f) Request from Paul Regan to host a small birthday party (30-40 people) on August 27, 2016 at 7:00 pm in the downstairs lounge - agreed;
- g) From Kevin Gerow (#390) resigning Social membership (accepted);
- h) From Mike Walsh (#821) resigning Junior membership (accepted);
- i) From Mitchell Andrea (# Y021) and Michael Andrea (# Y024) resigning Youth membership (accepted).

**Motion** by Gerry Foley, seconded by Brian Campbell, to donate a foursome with carts to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Danny Rogers Golf Tournament. Vote unanimous – Motion passed.

## Membership

The following were submitted for Social membership: Michael Genetti; Kirk Marshall; Jessica Rezendes.

**Motion** by Chris Green, seconded by Donna McMahon, to accept all three (3) Social members. Vote unanimous – Motion passed.

**Motion** by Gerry Foley, seconded by Mark Duffy to accept the Secretary's report. Vote unanimous – Motion passed.

## TREASURER

Brian reported on the following:

- Cash On Hand = \$365,157 – leaving us in good shape on the year;
- Paving came in at \$10.6K – not much left in Fixed/Capital Assets, possibly furniture (?), possibly roof/gutters (?);
- Still ahead of last year in revenue, bar revenue, cart rentals;
- Buying water since the end of June – will be quarterly invoice;
- Good month upstairs – salaries are up due to increased activity and events;
- Tournament is flat and even on budget;
- G & A under budget – savings on board meetings and office supplies;
- In general Revenue & Gross profits up \$77K; Course in up \$7K; Personnel is flat; House is even on last year;
- LHS has been invoiced, schedule in process;
- Budget process to begin next month;

Brian reported the following account balances: Operating Account \$32,032; Payroll Account \$2,696; Money Market Account \$325,301; Stabilization Account \$5,128; Total Cash \$365,157.

**Motion** by Mark Duffy, seconded by John Griffin to accept the Treasurer's report. Vote unanimous – Motion passed.

## JACK HASSETT

Jack Hassett joined the meeting at approximately 7:30 as part of our regular, quarterly meeting and review process. The board expressed their thanks for the remarkable job Jack and his crew have been doing given the drought conditions and heavy number of rounds being played.

Jack stated that it has been a long and difficult year, and he has decided it would be his last at Mount Pleasant in the capacity of Course Superintendent. He is open to assisting in the search and selection process, as well as the transition and hiring of the next Superintendent. He is also open to working in some capacity with the new Superintendent if there is interest.

The board thanked Jack for his many years of service, and stated their desire to continue to work with Jack in whatever the role may become. Agreed to call a special board meeting (8/23) to begin planning the process, and to work with Golf Course Superintendent's Association of New England, and their Executive Secretary Don Hearn.

### HOUSE COMMITTEE

Donna McMahon reported on the following events:

- Waiting for quotes on reupholstering 18 sets of chair arms and 6 chair backs, as well as 14 bar stools; also for new solar shades for the upstairs hall;
- Employee room downstairs to be painted and completed;
- Policies and Procedures manual in process;
- Quote of \$700 for key pad lock (?), also door will need to be reversed and rehung – agreed to pursue additional price options;
- Queen recently paid on \$3,400 (all proceeds were distributed) – bar did about \$1,800 that day;
- Scheduling half way to St Patrick Day for 9/24/16;
- Questions have been raised regarding young children and infants on the course, and the Club's liability; agreed that the liability is the same for any guest whether private (member play) or public event (e.g., City Tournament) – agreed, Jason and Phil to review with Joel policies regarding guests and children, and the use of carts.

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

### GREENS COMMITTEE

John Griffin reported the course is in remarkable shape given the ongoing drought conditions; there was a brief discussion of the water situation, and the possibility of drilling deeper and/or adding a pump to produce additional water – all agreed there are regulations and requirements to be explored first (i.e. gas lines, adjacent properties, etc.).

Thanks to Ed Weza for assisting Jack and Crew with the fallen tree and clean up.

**Motion** by Brian Campbell, seconded by Mark Duffy to accept the report of the Greens Committee. Vote unanimous - Motion passed.

## TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE

Jason Howarth reported in Phil Regan's absence:

- Club Championships successfully concluded on 8/7/2016;
- LHS schedule will be posted as a convenience and to inform members (Try Out, 5 Varsity matches, 2 JV matches) – any rain outs will be rescheduled in conjunction with Phil, Joel, and Jack;
- Planning for Member/Member underway;
- It's been a very busy season and tournament schedule – thanks to Joel, Jack, and Sean and their respective crews for all their work and support.

**Motion** by Chris Green, seconded by Donna McMahon to accept the report of the Tournament Committee. Vote unanimous - Motion passed.

## COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

Mark Duffy reported the Email blasts continue to be well received; the committee continues to work on improving the web site.

**Motion** by John Griffin, seconded by Gerry Foley to accept the report of the Communications Committee. Vote unanimous - Motion passed.

## OLD BUSINESS

Master Long Rang Plan – has been some feedback; Gerry to distribute topics/discussion points to board members for discussion with members, particularly on global issues (affordability, atmosphere, etc.) and structures.

Wood Carving of Tree that fell (adjacent to # 3 tee) – Jason to explore, obtain cost estimates, etc.

## NEW BUSINESS

Jason developing member survey regarding course (multiple choice, use Survey Monkey); also to review and incorporate USGA Guideline on tees, distances, etc.

There being no further business,

**Motion** by Mark Duffy, seconded by Gerry Foley, to adjourn. Vote unanimous. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, September 21, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Bob McLeod, Secretary