

Mount Pleasant Golf Club

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Established 1910

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Donna McMahon
President

Pat Donovan
Vice-President

Bob McLeod
Secretary

Sean Moriarty
Treasurer

Board of Directors Regular Meeting

Wednesday, November 21, 2022

President Donna McMahon called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. with seven (7) board members present, and Sean Casey and Shaun McCarty absent.

SECRETARY

Minutes of the 10/26/22 regular meeting were presented for review.

Motion by Ray Costello, seconded by Brian Gleason to accept the minutes of the 10/26/22 regular meeting as amended. Vote unanimous - Motion passed.

Correspondence

- From Norma and Garry Murphy, thanking the board and the membership for once again supporting the Veteran's Day Recognition Golf Tournament and Luncheon – accepted, placed on file;
- From Dana Farber/Jimmy Fund, thank you for the \$28,000 donation from the 2022 Annual Ronan/McKay Budweiser Golf Classic, and also for the \$12,805 donation in memory of Tom Livingston, for a total of \$38,805 contributed in 2022 – accepted, placed on file;
- From Declan Regan and the Kristy Williams Memorial Foundation, thank you for your recent, generous donation – accepted, placed on file;
- From Power of Flowers, thank you for the use of the hall for their recent volunteer appreciation event - accepted, placed on file;
- From Lowell Planning Board, Notice of public hearing re 70 Wilber Street scheduled for November 21, 2022, placed on file;
- From Town of Chelmsford Scholarship Committee, request to waive the hall fee for their annual fundraiser on February 1st – from Jason Howarth and Caitlin Campopiano;
- From Steve Talbot, requesting a change from Regular AB to Regular A membership;
- From John Geary, requesting reinstatement as Regular A member after an LOA – accepted, placed on file awaiting opening;

- From Celeste Tremblay, requesting support for this year's ladies MGA cup matches (two host dates, Spring and Fall, and entry fees) – agreed to support again this year, referred to Tournament Committee for scheduling;
- From Steve Rossetti, inquiring about his son Matt's Youth application – confirmed application is on file;
- From Chris Gentle, application for Regular A membership – placed on file;
- From Trevor Green, application for Junior membership – placed on file;
- From Jeffrey Saviano, application for Regular AB membership – placed on file;
- From Jack Ingles, application for Youth membership – placed on file;
- From Rowan Ingles, application for Youth membership – placed on file;
- From Liam Martin, application for Junior membership – placed on file;
- From Amanda L'Hussier, application for Social/Junior membership – Junior application placed on file;
- From Courtney L'Hussier, application for Social membership;
- From William Gray, application for Social membership;
- From Bob Moulton, application for Social membership;
- From Scott Varney, application for Social membership;
- From Kathy Varney, application for Social membership.

Motion by Pat Donovan, seconded by John Goscila to waive the hall rental fee for the Town of Chelmsford Scholarship Committee function. Vote unanimous - Motion passed.

Membership

The following candidates and changes are submitted for approval:

- Amanda L'Hussier – Social
- Courtney L'Hussier – Social
- William Gray – Social
- Bob Moulton – Social
- Scott Varney – Social
- Kathy Varney – Social
- Steve Talbot – Regular AB to Regular A

Motion by Sean Moriarty, seconded by John Goscila to approve the six (6) new Social members and one (1) change, as listed above. Vote unanimous - Motion passed.

Motion by John Goscila, seconded by Ray Costello to accept the Secretary's report. Vote unanimous - Motion passed.

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TREASURER'S REPORT

No formal report as Brian is working to close out the fiscal year (10/31) and prepare for the outside audit – everything looks good so far; auditors were in last Wednesday, and will return this week, have been more inquisitive than usual, speaking with Sean T. and Gail and following various financial threads; very tight window, but hope to see a draft report shortly with finished report available for the annual meeting on December 1st.

Motion by Pat Donovan, seconded by Brian Gleason to accept the Treasurer's report.
Vote unanimous - Motion passed.

HOUSE COMMITTEE

No report as Shaun McCarty is out of town – question regarding were the sprinkler head replacements completed will be deferred to next month.

GREENS COMMITTEE

Ray reported Chuck and his crew have been busy with off season projects; three (3) trees taken down on # 7; stumps removed on # 2 (stumps on # 7 to follow); have a lead on three (3) red maple trees, 8-10" in diameter as possible replacements between # 8 and # 9 fairways – Chuck wants to see and inspect first hand to confirm condition (e.g., will they produce a 'full canopy' as they mature), and fairway soil to be tested next week to insure it's suitable; Chuck was able to locate a used motor (\$2.1K) to repair the sand trap raker, at considerable savings compared to replacement; plans to level and regrade the three largest tee boxes on # 7 while keeping the other two in play (the two boxes will then be regraded after the three are back in play); the gully in front of # 5 tee has been cut back and cleaned out, opening up the back tees (near the property's edge); sprinkler system has been blown out for the season; additional greens aeration (large tine); will hold off on trimming back the brook at # 4 tee due to construction; Ray to check on status of acquisition of tarps and slice seeder.

Motion by Pat Donovan, seconded by Sean Moriarty to accept the Greens report. Vote unanimous - Motion passed.

TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE

Brian reported Nick Fantasia has been approached about a position next year in the Pro Shop; additional enhancements and improvements to Fore Tees underway, including greater data capture and reporting, and allowing same day tee time booking – all will require additional training and tech support in the Shop; Joel is purchasing a new, second Trackman for additional off-season programs (need to iron out physical installation issues).

Motion by Ray Costello, seconded by Sean Moriarty to accept the Tournament Committee report. Vote unanimous - Motion passed.

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COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

No report as Sean Casey is absent.

OLD BUSINESS

Exploratory Committee (Upstairs) - Status

Pat Donovan reported the group met two weeks ago; they are still trying to determine the content and audience for a possible survey, also initial funding for a survey and/or study; flipping the club house (I.e., relocating the bar/lounge upstairs) seems unlikely but hasn't been ruled out; work to continue, possibly as an ad hoc committee to ensure continuity.

Fence and DS Graphics

Fence has been repaired; invoice forwarded to DS Graphics, Kevin Murphy to pursue legal means to recover costs as necessary.

NEW BUSINESS

Nominating Committee Report

Complete (attached)

Audit Review/Status

Covered under Treasurer's Report

Annual Meeting Preview

Agenda and roles reviewed

MISCELLANEOUS

Agreed, to have the Treasurer develop a modest Christmas bonus package in keeping with past practices.

There being no further business,

Motion by Brian Gleason, seconded by Pat Donovan to adjourn. Vote unanimous - Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

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NEXT MEETING
Thursday, December 1, 2022
at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bob McLeod,
Secretary

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NOTICE

In accordance with Article IV, Section 4 of the By-Laws of Mount Pleasant Golf Club, the following members have been nominated as Officers and Directors by the Nominating Committee for 2022-2023:

President – Donna McMahon
Vice-President – Pat Donovan
Secretary – Bob McLeod
Treasurer – Sean Moriarty
Greens Committee Chairperson – Jim Moriarty
Tournament Committee Chairperson – Brian Gleason
House Committee Chairperson – Diane Murphy
Communications Committee Chairperson – Mike Soha
Advisor – Tom Lamond

Also, the following members appeared before the Nominating Committee and, although not nominated by the Committee, would like their name on the ballot:

Vice President – John Johnson
Communications Chair – Shaun McCarty
Advisor – Dennis Moriarty

Respectfully Submitted,

Bob Ware
Nominating Committee Chairperson