

Betmar Golf Club
General and Board Concurrent Meetings
March 25, 2024

Member Present: Mac McKinnon, Mike Williamson, Janet Gagne, Joe Nemeth, Karen Emery, Laurie Black, Julie Miller, Jeff Warner, David Gregg, Marilyn Williams
Members Absent: Ada Tombs
Membership: Bob Coutz, Jay Browning, 19 members

Meeting was called to order by **President McKinnon** at 9:01 am in CH2.

Secretary's Report: The minutes of the Executive Meeting and General Meeting of January 26, 2024 were posted and distributed. Motion by **Laurie Black** seconded by **Mike Williamson** to approve the minutes. Motion passed, unanimously.

President's Report: **Mac McKinnon** reported that: the revised By-Laws have been approved and thanked all for their hard work: there was a complaint filed and that was resolved; the feasibility report issue with Swift-Water has been taken care of; the Saddlebrook Project has hit a stall; the new signage on Blue nine has been installed; and that the 3 e-mails that were submitted were approved, Golfcommunications@betmar.org, Golfmembership@bermar.org, and Golf@bermar.org. **President McKinnon** read a proclamation for Chuck Best and proclaimed March 27, 2024 as Chuck Best Day.

Vice President's Report: **Mike Williamson** stated that as many clubs were making their yearly donations to Betmar, it was his opinion that the Golf Clubs donation to Betmar to be finalized. **President McKinnon** suspended the General Meeting at 9:10 am and convened the Board Meeting to address this issue. Motion by **Mike Williamson** seconded by **Laurie Black** that the standard donation to Betmar be finalized. Motion passed unanimously. **Treasurer Joe Nemeth** stated that there is standard donation of \$5,000 budgeted, as well as \$6,000 for the use of the truck. **Julie Miller** stated that the purchase of a new trailer for the truck should also be considered. It was suggested that the funds for this purchase could be raised through a fundraiser. He also stated that he ordered the digital sign for under \$400 and he is working on installing it.

Treasurer's Report: **Joe Nemeth** reviewed the Financial Report for February 29, 2024. A copy of his report is attached to the original minutes. He also reported that the Board had approved a move of accounts to the Bank of Florida, however, The First National Bank is offering the same programs so he did not change banks. He also requested that Board approve changing the names on the account. A motion was made by **Joe Nemeth** seconded by **Julie Miller** that newly-elected President Ernest "Mike" Williamson's name be added to the accounts and out-going President Mac McKinnon's name be remove, effective the first part of April. Motion passed unanimously. The Board meeting was suspended at 9:30 am and the General Meeting was reconvened.

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Activities Report: Marilyn Williams reported on the activities for the past month. She reported that Activities has raised \$12,096 to date and that there are 3/4 activities left this year.

She thanked everyone who volunteered and participated.

At this time, President McKinnon introduced the new Greens Supervisor Jay Browning and stated he would be present at the meetings to make a report to the membership and the Board. This is to be an informational report and “not a beat-up Jay” session. Jay reviewed his plans for the up-coming spring/summer season.

Following his report and discussion with the membership, it was decided that the best way to communicate suggestions/concerns to Jay was to have them channeled in writing to Mike Williamson and presented to Jay at the monthly Golf Maintenance Meeting.

Clubhouse Director: Julie Miller reported that there were 6,949 rounds played in January and 8,480 rounds played in February. Also, Volunteer Nancy Bears is no longer taking care of recovering golf balls and she is hoping that Dave Tjepkema will consider taking over for her. Also, there will be a need for Starters and Rangers next year.

Communications: No report

Membership: Laurie Black reported there are 637 full memberships and 63 limited memberships for a total of 700 members. She deposited \$22,000 in February and will be depositing \$13/\$14,000 for March.

Properties: Jeff Warner reported that 8 new palm trees have been purchased to replace some of the ones that have been removed, and that the first of the month concrete repairs to the cart path on the Blue Course will begin. President McKinnon stated that consideration should be given to purchasing a descent cart for under \$1,000 and requested that the membership repair ball marks on the greens.

Pro Shop: Brenda Moody reported that The Pro Shop has over 20 volunteers and was open 31 hours per week. She thanked all of the volunteers that helped this year.

Committee Reports: None

Membership: Owen Whitkopf presented a petition to the Board requesting that the Board make changes to the policy to shut down a course three days a week especially November through May.

A letter from Alan and Janice Peterson addressing the benefit of an \$85,000 investment to convert the White Course greens to the grass that is now on the Blue Course is included with the original minutes.

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Unfinished Business: **Dave Gregg** distributed Operating Policy and Procedure 3: Sanctioned Leagues. **President McKinnon** suspended the General Meeting at 10:15 am and convened the Board Meeting to address this issue. Motion by **Laurie Black** seconded by **Mike Williamson** to accept Operating Policy and Procedure 3: Sanctioned as Leagues as presented. Motion passed, unanimously. The Board meeting was suspended at 10:20 am and the General Meeting was reconvened.

President McKinnon stated that as all of the officers running for election to the Board ran unopposed, and that there was no need to run an official election, the Secretary agreed to cast one vote for the election of new officers. Newly elected officers are:

President: Ernest "Mike" Williamson	Membership: Colleen Carson
Vice President: Kim Goding	Club House Director: Mike Poulin
Secretary: Gail Williamson	Activities: Marilyn Williams
Treasurer: Joe Nemeth	Communications: Terri Williams
Properties: Mark Garrett	Assistant Properties: David Gregg

President McKinnon read the letter of resignation from Mark Garrett, newly elected Properties Director stating that due to family issues he would not be able to serve in that position. **President McKinnon** stated that the new Board can accept his resignation and appoint a replacement.

President McKinnon suspended the meeting at 10:25 am for the purpose of swearing in the new officers. The new officers will immediately step into their new positions.

Janet Gagne, Out-going Secretary.

New Business: Meeting was called to order by **President Mike Williamson** at 10:25. Thanked the outgoing board for a job well done.

Discussion was on the resignation letter from Mark Garrett for the Properties Director. **President Mike Williamson** offered to **Dave Gregg** but he declined and chose to stay in his current position as Vice Properties Director. The board will choose another Properties Director later.

Next meeting: A motion was made to change the April 29, 2024, meeting to April 22, 2024 due to officers of the board leaving to go home for the summer. Motion by, **President Mike Williamson** second by **Kim Gooding** Motion was approved

Adjournment: Motion by **President Mike Williamson** to adjourn the meeting and second by **Kim Gooding**. Meeting adjourned at 10:35.