



ELY GOLF CLUB BOARD
Tuesday, January 19, 2021
Ely Golf Club – 4 p.m.

Linda Enquist VandenBranden called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m.

Roll Call: Linda EVB, Scott Drechsler, Len Clewett, and Justin Hirdler; by phone Frank Gulbrandsen and Lori Casey. Absent: Mikey Lund and Dawn Rowe.

Minutes: Scott Drechsler moved to approve the minutes of the Reorganizational Meeting and regular Board Meeting held on October 6, 2019. Len Clewett seconded the motion. Minutes were approved 5-0. The Special Meeting Minutes held on October 6, 2019 will be approved at the next membership meeting. All minutes are posted on the website for at least one month.

New and Old Business

A. President Report

1. Committees: Frank Gulbrandsen will join Scott Drechsler on the grounds committee, Dawn Rowe was added to the Events Committee joining EVB, Lund, Superintendent and Manager. Lori Casey will join the Ely Area Golf Foundation Board (EAGFB) as a non-voting member.
2. Contracts and evaluations of the manager and superintendent will be finalized after salary recommendations are determined-late February.
3. To assist the board in procedural matters as bylaws allow, Clewett moved to adopt the document submitted by Casey-p.3 below. The motion seconded by Drechsler was approved 5-0.

B. Superintendent's Report

- 1) Sledding/Skiing/Snowshoeing: Hirdler has been trying to keep sledding and snow enthusiast off greens and tees. Individuals may use marked trails and designated sledding hills. The club wants the community to enjoy winter activities on the course if they obey the signs/rules. Activity on greens and tees can cause damage that rips the turf and kills grass. Repairing damage is costly and this destruction takes a long time to repair. Signs and advertising have helped some but continues to be a concern. Next year better measures will be taken to manage this issue and if that is not effective winter activity would be greatly restricted or stopped.

HAVE FUN SKIING & SLEDDING: PLEASE ONLY skiing, walking or snowshoe on designated trails. Downhill sledding or tubing ONLY on the big hill by satellites dishes and hill by the driveway. NO dogs or pets for safety.

- 2) Purchase of a Toro 5200 Sweeper was arranged by Hirdler in late October. EVB will contact the manager to complete the purchase. Previously the finance committee and board approved the sweeper purchase. Casey will continue discussion with the EAGFB seeking financial support for this item.

- 3) Justin plans to obtain new medal golf tee markers made from his father's template. The wood markers are rotting.
- 4) Tee box six is basically completed and needs no other changes but understands the ladies league has plans for further beautification and development of this R. Tipton tee box.

C. Manager's Report: The President told the board our Manager continues to be busy with off season duties-developing and completing reports, overseeing general property tasks and planning for 2021. The 2021 newsletter will be reviewed by the Board and mailed and posted early spring.

D. Treasurer's Report – Len Clewett

- 1) Len Clewett reviewed the October finance committee. The committee discussed leasing extra carts again in 2021. The group agreed on the purchase of the sweeper and recommended keeping the same 2020 fee structure for all memberships. Structure example: Incentive memberships will remain the same for first time members who were not members last year and returning second year incentive members.
- 2) The treasurer would like to begin a five year capital plan preparing for new and depreciating items. He will meet with staff and chairs of appropriate committees to accomplish this task.
- 3) The financial picture on page 4 confirms we had a successful financial year. Course conditions were really good as well. Insurance rates were much higher than in past years in part because we had more golf carts to insure. Also tournament income was below the 2020 mark despite all tournaments, except the Night Tournament, earning more profit. This relates to the decision to relax the Night tournament plan and not to seek large Ely sponsorships or donations for this event. We greatly appreciate businesses for their past and present support.

E. Other Committee Reports and Old Business List

- 1)) President EVB indicated the Events Committee will not meet until late spring. She is pleased with the creativity of the new Big Hole Tourney and fun tee off placements at other events.
- 2) In past years the board rarely has visitors attending our meetings therefore Zoom has not been provided.
- 3) Guldbrandsen will discuss with K. Soderberg the latest MDOT signage update.
- 4) Drechsler will continue to seek cart path quotes.
- 5) Thank you to Jim Townsend who repainted the words on the welcome sign by hole one. Hirdler indicated that sign will also be re-stained.

Next Meeting: The next meeting was set for February 25th but was changed before the minutes were completed to Thursday, February 18, 2021, 5 p.m. at the GEL.

Adjournment was declared by the President at 5:22 p.m.

Lori Casey, Secretary

Approved: _____

BOARD RULES
ELY GOLF BOARD
Adopted: 01/19/21

Rationale: To assist the board in procedural matters consistent with the bylaws.

BOARD ELECTION

1. Deadline (IV.4.2 and V.)
Eligible members who seek nominations/appointments for open board seats must meet the deadline otherwise they are write-in candidates, not on the ballot. All candidates may submit a one page written statement about themselves for preview near the ballot box.
2. Voting Ties - The board president, if not a candidate, will break election ties with a flip of a coin. (Three board members present including the president).
3. Application/Leave/Resignations/Withdrawals (Article V.3)
Application of candidacy, leave of absence, resignations or withdrawals become recognized when a written document is addressed to the board president and received by mailed or hand delivered to the manager or board president. Signup sheets when provided by the clubhouse are sufficient as well. Electronic messages may be sent if prior approval is recognized by the president. In such case the "sender" shall receive electronic proof of delivery.
4. Appointments (Article VI.1 and VII.1)
Other than at the general election as stated in our bylaws, a person appointed/elected by the board will not necessarily assume the office or duties of the person they are replacing. The new board will elect the officer positions and the president appoints committees.

BOARD MEETING

General Limits of Debate (Article III.2) (Roberts Rules of Order)

Board's philosophy is to remain flexible with members who wish to address/ask questions of the Board-within a reasonable time limit. However, the Board's standing rule provides members a limit of 3 minutes to address the board per agenda item. Point of order will follow Roberts Rules and the presiding President shall determine "out of order behavior".

**Summary Balance Sheet and Profit/Loss Statement
Year End - December 2020**

Assets	12/20/2020	12/20/2020	Difference
Checking Account	\$36,057.72	\$16,731.72	\$19,326.00
Capital	\$18,121.02	\$11,758.14	\$6,362.88
Savings Account	\$27,115.49	\$27,049.55	\$65.94
Youth Savings	\$7,311.81	\$7,714.28	(\$402.47)
Cash on Hand	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Total Cash and Savings:	\$89,106.04	\$63,253.69	\$25,852.35
Income			
Greens Fees & Other Related	\$56,060.33	\$46,585.61	\$9,474.72
PunchCards-Specials, Twilight	\$6,547.07	\$4,890.20	\$1,656.87
H.Sponsor-Indoor Golf-Insurance Ref	\$0.00	\$3,224.47	(\$3,224.47)
Leagues & League Donations	\$2,700.00	\$4,553.00	(\$1,853.00)
Membership	\$84,394.05	\$77,116.49	\$7,277.56
Pro Shop	\$26,688.29	\$31,513.77	(\$4,825.48)
Rentals	\$35,465.67	\$23,425.90	\$12,039.77
Tournaments	\$13,337.68	\$19,424.88	(\$6,087.20)
Proshop Aall COGS	(\$17,285.43)	(\$19,862.27)	\$2,576.84
Total Income	\$207,907.66	\$190,872.05	\$17,035.61
Expenses			
Club-Payroll, Fees, Utilities, Repair, Etc.	\$79,938.47	\$67,515.21	\$12,423.26
Grounds-Payroll, Supplies, Repair, Etc.	\$100,789.44	\$99,871.34	\$918.10
Projects	\$404.46	\$980.57	(\$576.11)
Rental of Golf Carts	\$11,900.00	\$6,600.00	\$5,300.00
Total Expenses	\$193,032.37	\$174,967.12	\$18,065.25
Net Other Income	\$6,030.78	\$7,176.68	(\$1,145.90)
NET INCOME	\$20,906.07	\$23,081.61	(\$2,175.54)