



**Minutes**  
**Ely Golf Club Board**  
**Tuesday, October 12, 2021**  
**Ely Golf Club**

CALL TO ORDER by President Len Clewett at 6:31 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Len Clewett, Linda Enquist VandenBranden, Scott Drechsler, Frank Guldbrandsen, Dawn Rowe, Louie Gerzin and Lori Casey - Manager Tim Cooper and Superintendent Justin Hirdler.

MINUTES APPROVAL: September 13, 2021 (m) EVB, (s) Rowe. Vote (7-0)

**OLD & NEW BUSINESS**

President's Report (EVB and Clewett)

- a) The Golf Board received an letter from Scott Magie requesting the board consider eliminating or reducing the amount of dust in the cart barns by improving the floor surface. The board has not heard other comments about the dust until now. They discussed and evaluated resurfacing ideas, adding stabilizers, total cost and considered other project list items debated for several months. At this time the request failed to receive support.
- b) Casey requested all clubs and committees review and update their pages on the website. Tim Cooper is the administrator of Facebook and website but receives assistance from EVB and Casey. Groups should send updates to Cooper at golf@elymngolfclub.com
- c) A special thanks to Aaron Leustek at Forest Concrete for his huge volunteer effort working on the new cart path along with Warren Johnson. Dave Starkman of Starkman Asphalt was hired to complete asphalt work-great job as well.

Superintendent's Update (Hirdler)

- a) General Report: Hirdler and crew will keep up with punching greens but will forgo punching fairways. The crew continues with winter preparations. The superintendent plans to add signage for the upper tee box on hole four. There are some capital improvements still pending such as repair of existing cart paths, removing tree roots near and under a few greens, fixing the much needed workman cart and improving water access from Lucky Boy Pond.
- b) Winter Rules: Stay Off Greens Do Not Enter areas that are fenced off. Skiing, sliding and walking on greens are harmful to the turf. Superintendent Hirdler is concerned about winter damage around holes four and eight. He plans to purchase more fencing to help protect the course against winter traffic and damage.
- c) Course Closing: The course remains open. When flags are removed from the greens the course is closed for the winter. Members will be notified by email.
- d) Landscaping #6: The Ladies League is having difficulty getting a commitment to complete the landscaping project on hole six. Hirdler offered to help early next spring if the league takes the responsibility to purchase some of the materials needed. Other contact names were provided.

Treasurer's Report (Clewett)

- a) Financial Update: The club experienced another strong year, with memberships and green fees similar to 2020, which was the highest level in recent years. Net income is up driven by \$51,530 received from SBA funding and insurance storm claim reimbursement. Increases in pro shop, tournaments and league fees were offset by ground operation costs due to a longer work season, fuel and repair of equipment.
- b) At the September finance committee meeting recommendations were made to transfer funds from checking to capital and savings. The objective is to end each year with a checking account balance of \$15,000 to \$20,000. The committee also recommended setting aside funds to repair

the rough mower which is now the top priority of the grounds superintendent. In early 2022 the committee will provide the final cost once the mower is inspected by MTI.

- c) After discussion Frank Guldbrandsen moved to accept the finance committee and irrigation subcommittee recommendations:
  - 1) Transfer funds from the checking account into capital and savings accounts to plan for future expenditures. These figures are reflected in report on page 3.
  - 2) Send the workman cart to Midwest Turf & Irrigation (MTI) for overhaul with a cost of approximately \$15,000. (Final total provided after MTI's inspection)
  - 3) Dredge the Lucky Boy Pond intake area to improve water access.The motion was seconded by Dawn Rowe and approved 7-0.
- d) Research continues regarding street signage for Ely Golf Club on HWY 21.

Manager's Update (Tim Cooper)

- a) No Manager's report – the clubhouse is closed. Cooper, regarding the finance report, stated “in the months of July and August the club reached the maximum amount of rounds played.” Cooper is busy in the clubhouse with updating and installing a new POS system and continuing his duties as manager.
- b) League Tee Times – Moved by Drechsler, second by EVB, to require Leagues to make tee times if they wish to continue league play after Labor Day. Discussion: May through August reserving the course cost each league \$500. In September and October, three of the four leagues extend their season. Cooper indicated in September the Ladies begin making tee times and Senior Men numbers are small enough Wednesday is not affected. Couples league has a large membership and with attendance sporadic late in the year due to weather, it becomes difficult to accurately predict when tee times are available on Friday afternoon. Motion passed 7-0.
- c) Manager Cooper discussed a list of needed clubhouse improvements: carpet cleaning; fix electrical light problems; leaking toilet; and deck upkeep/stain. Cooper will obtain bids for the first three items and confer with President Clewett.

Handicap Committee – Jim Townsend received notice from MGA of an upcoming membership increase of \$5.00 per person beginning January 2022-this includes GHIN handicap.

NEXT MEETING DATE: January 18, 2022, 5:30 p.m., Grand Ely Lodge.  
*Rescheduled in early January to February 16, 5 p.m. same location.*

ADJOURNMENT by Len Clewett at 7:35 p.m.

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Lori Casey, Secretary

Approval Date:\_\_\_\_\_

<b>Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Summary for October 2021</b>						
<b>ASSETS</b>		<b>10/8/2021</b>	<b>10/8/2020</b>	<b>% Change</b>		
Checking Account		\$63,600.02	\$42,056.74	51.2%		
Capital		\$56,719.99	\$18,118.11	213.1%		
Savings Account		\$43,116.01	\$27,106.18	59.1%		
Youth Savings		\$7,326.46	\$7,326.46	0.0%		
Cash on Hand		\$500.00	\$500.00	0.0%		
Petty Cash		(\$1.00)	\$0.00	-100.0%		
<b>Total Cash and Savings</b>		<b>\$171,261.48</b>	<b>\$95,107.49</b>	<b>80.1%</b>		
<b>INCOME</b>		-	-	-		
Green Fees, Punch Cards, Twilight, Specials		\$65,012.75	\$62,607.40	3.8%		
Leagues & League Donations		\$6,345.00	\$2,700.00	135.0%		
Membership		\$84,693.73	\$84,394.05	0.4%		
Pro Shop		\$38,622.43	\$27,778.67	39.0%		
Rentals		\$34,754.46	\$35,465.67	-2.0%		
Tournaments(not include SOUP Tourney)		\$14,730.76	\$13,337.68	7.9%		
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<b>\$244,159.13</b>	<b>\$226,283.47</b>	<b>7.9%</b>		
(Minus) Pro shop Cost of Goods Sold (COGS)		\$18,941.37	\$16,875.31	12.2%		
<b>GROSS PROFIT</b>		<b>\$225,217.76</b>	<b>\$209,408.16</b>	<b>7.6%</b>		
<b>EXPENSES</b>						
Club Operations		\$73,335.45	\$72,941.37	0.5%		
Grounds Operations		\$99,127.85	\$84,328.79	17.6%		
Projects		\$1,721.64	\$404.46	325.7%		
Rental of Golf Carts		\$10,800.00	\$11,900.00	-9.2%		
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		<b>\$184,984.94</b>	<b>\$169,574.62</b>	<b>9.1%</b>		
<b>NET ORDINARY INCOME</b>		<b>\$40,232.82</b>	<b>\$39,833.54</b>	<b>1.0%</b>		
Total Other Income (Donations, SBA PPP Loan, Insurance, Interest Income, Etc.)		\$56,591.80	\$4,619.18	1,125.2%		
Total Other Expenses		\$70.00	\$265.00	-73.6%		
<b>NET OTHER INCOME</b>		<b>\$56,521.80</b>	<b>\$4,354.18</b>	<b>1,198.1%</b>		
<b>NET INCOME</b>		<b>\$96,754.62</b>	<b>\$44,187.72</b>	<b>119.0%</b>		
<b>NET INCOME IN PREVIOUS YEARS - REPORTED AT ANNUAL MEETINGS</b>						
<b>2021 Sept 13</b>	<b>2020 Sept 14</b>	<b>2019 Sept 16</b>	<b>2018 Sept 11</b>	<b>2017 Sept 11</b>	<b>2016 Sept 4</b>	<b>2015 Sept 5</b>
\$105,550.16	\$64,595.37	\$49,335.77	\$44,781.45	\$39,800.83	\$42,877.78	\$33,780.17
\$54,020.16	Net Income in Sept. 2021 if not received SBA Funding and Insurance Storm Reimbursement.					