

Hunters Ridge Community Association
Golf Committee Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, March 16, 2016 3:00PM

The meeting was called to order. Everyone was present except for Terri Butler who is resigning from the committee.

Minutes were approved.

Tony was asked if the drainage system on the driving range needed to be improved. Tony explained that there is drainage throughout the range but it could be improved. Most of the time the range is closed only when the course is closed. There are some soft spots on it but next summer Tony plans to verticut, aerate and sand just like the course. This should help. The areas that need to be improved will be worked on when they have time.

Tony was asked what changes could be made to #13 white tees to improve playability. Tony suggested that the clump of bushes could be taken out. Then the tee box could be enlarged and straightened out. The men keep hitting the trees on the right. Tony suggested that those trees could be moved left. Tony's crew will try to improve it.

Rob was asked for ideas for better protection to range workers at the hookup site for the ball picker. It can be put out further behind trees either right or left, but preferably right.

The committee discussed the appropriateness of locations for pine straw. The pine straw is used for beautification and weed control.

The current number of golf members is 313. 242 are equity and 71 are charter. There are 62 that currently have their charter membership turned off. Currently there is a limit of 425. Charter members are up by 8.

Old business –

Status of #18 alternate tee. This summer it will be raised slightly. It needs tee markers. A survey will be done to decide if we should have this tee

Anything new on #17 drainage problem. Tony plans to create a reservoir and send the drainage to the pond.

Status of switching nines. The feedback has been negative. Financially we would lose 100 golfers a week. This issue is dead.

Report on redesigning chipping green to allow for pitch and run shot. Tony feels it is feasible to fill in the ditch. They will do something this summer.

A crystal has been placed on #14 at the beginning of the trees past the pond on the right.

Changing the tee markers to numbers has been approved. Rob will provide a price before implementing.

New business –

The members discussed playing off the coquina instead of considering them cart paths. A discussion ensued and it was decided that we would continue to play off the coquina.

It was reported that Tony's crew are texting while driving the machinery around the complex. Tony stated he will address this.

It was asked if we could have more gross vs. net tournaments. Rob stated that the club championship is played at gross and that he has added gross winners to some of our traditional net tournaments.

It was brought up that our drop areas are in bad shape. Tony said they would look into it.

It was mentioned that there are numerous players going into the protected areas to retrieve balls and driving beyond the yellow markers. Rob is to send out reminders of the protocol. Gary asked that we not cut back the natural grasses in the swale in the future to help keep people out of those areas.

People have been asking if we could pay out more for events by paying less places. Currently the philosophy is to involve more people in winning by paying less to more places. This will be included in the survey.

We closed by telling Tony that there have been numerous compliments about the wonderful condition of the golf course.

Gary stated before the adjournment, that this would be the last meeting prior to the announcement of the new committee members.

The meeting was adjourned.