

**Hunters Ridge Community Association
Golf Committee Meeting
Thursday, November 17, 2016 – 2:30pm
Hunters Ridge Golf & Country Club**

The meeting was called to order. A quorum was established because all members were present except Deb Ruttenburg.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved.

It was explained that the current committee was established in April, 2016. This is the only meeting this committee will conduct. The next committee will be chosen in January, 2017 with Ron Parmiter as Chairperson.

The summer of 2016 projects were reviewed. These were:

The new pump house between Hole 16 and 17 was started in May. It was mostly completed by late July finishing in mid-September.

The practice green area near the activity center was expanded to be a pitch and run area also. The entire practice area was re-grassed.

A new drainage system was installed on Hole 17 at the dog leg.

The USGA recommended procedures for caring for our golf course used in 2015, were once again implemented in 2016. This year it took 70 trucks of sand.

13 tee was redone removing the shrubs on the left side. The area between Hole 12 & 13 tees was cut back to open the entry to the fairway. The cart path to Hole 13 has had new boards put on the bridge. That hole can now be entered from the left side.

Hole 5's tee box was redone.

It was pointed out to Tony that the trestle on Hole 5 is leaning and should be leveled.

The greens have contracted a small amount of disease due to being too wet during a tropical storm. They are improving.

Review golf reserve fund balance and activity (both debits and credits).

A discussion was held concerning the golf reserve fund balance and the changes that have occurred. The reserves have gone from \$686,000 in 2011 to a high of \$1,021,000 in 2014 to approximately \$379,000 currently. In reviewing the 2016 large expenditures \$336,000 for the pump house, restroom and pro shop renovations of \$31,700 (part of the 2015 over all renovations), paver project of \$38,200 and club house window replacement of \$61,000.

We, then discussed where the golf funds come from that fund the reserve account. There are a variety of categories of revenue in the pro shop. One of the categories is non-resident golf. These are people who use our golf course that have no connection to anyone here. These fees go directly to the golf reserve fund. This is separate from ACE/PGA card and reciprocals. Non-resident golf revenues have gone from \$108,000 in 2013 to \$34,000 to-date in 2016. After much discussion, the committee agreed to suggestion to the Board that the ACE/PGA card revenues and the reciprocal revenues should also go to golf reserves. These fees are the same type as non-resident golf fees. They all represent play that has no connection to anyone in Hunters Ridge. It is also recommended that some percentage up to 100% of renter's green fees be allocated to reserves. For the last few years the decline in non-resident income has been offset by the initiation fee of new members. This is not expected to continue. It is for these reasons the committee feels the need to address the funding of the reserve account.

New Tee Markers and Men's Combo Tees.

Tony brought in the new markers, which are now numbers instead of colors. The committee agreed that they are very functional. Tony was asked to install them that day. The new scorecards also show the combined tees and the slope and rating.

A lively discussion was held as to when and who would use them. It was decided that the combo tees will be used for member/guest, match play, and some drop out scrambles. Members may choose those tees as they do now with white (III tees) and green (II tees).

The committee asked Tony to add a plate on the tee box showing the distance to the water on Hole 18.

Sunday Couples Golf

The pro shop will continue to use one Sunday a month as a couple's mixer. After discussing ways to provide couples to mix with each other, it was decided that another Sunday during the month will be couples' day. Couples will sign up (just like men's' and ladies' day) and will be paired with another couple to play with. There will be no competition or "games" played. This day will assist newer members to meet other members and enjoy their company. If a couple wants to choose who they play with, then they should set up their tee time outside of the time frame.

Cart Paths

Hole #1 cart path is in desperate need of redoing. This includes the path along side of the tennis courts.

Part of the problem with our cart paths is that we have too many surfaces covering them. There are other areas that need to be done also. It was decided that we need to put a plan together on what the new cart paths should look like and when they should be done.

Golf Course Restrooms

The golf course restrooms are scheduled to be power washed and painted. Someone reported that the picture in the men's room has been stolen and thrown away. A request was made to replace the trash can at the bathroom on Hole 14. It should be one that you don't have to remove the lid for.

With no further discussion needed on any subject, the meeting was adjourned.