

Greens Committee Meeting - January 12, 2022, at 9:00

In attendance were Brendan Waddell, Dave White, Jack Cooper, John Valentine, Suzanne Popelka, Sue Mallery, Kelly Davis, Fred Nixon, Fred Fraga and Gary Hall.

1. Pump house roof update - Kelly says only 2 more hours to complete. Will need gutters to handle rain and we will have to hire that project out. Also, Brendan will install solar powered lights for the interior that will be motion activated.
2. Sectional Gate Valve Update—Brendan says vendor working on it/waiting for supplies. This could take a while.
3. Weeds – Brendan’s team has been spraying and I’ve noticed some weeds starting to die.
4. Burrowing animals—Brendan’s team is addressing the issue and has caught one animal.
5. Low area by lake on #9 - Need to stop muddy mess by extending lake out and using the fill to regrade and keep the water in the lake. This will be a summer project
6. Fill update - Jack is looking for free fill options with no results. We may need to pay for fill.
7. Volunteer work to remove cacti by #9 tee - Jack talked with Gudie and will let Wayne know for an evening work party to get volunteers.
8. Need for cover for sand refill stations - Byron and John will construct something when Byron gets back with a point that will withstand the weather.
9. Care Bear Offer- offered to donate \$500-\$1,000 for a golf course project. They want something that is tangible and visible. Possibly use colored rock with SunBird logo on rocks by #5 green or fix drinking fountains on 4. Brendan will obtain a quote for the fountain repairs.
10. Overseed estimated costs - Dave said all costs are for seed, fertilizer, maintenance . . .
 - 1) complete overseed \$105,000- \$110,000
 - 2) greens, tees, fairways only \$65,000 (excludes rough)
 - 3) tees & greens only \$21,000 - \$23,000 (budgeted)
11. Duck Committee—will do nothing at this time—Suzanne brought up a laser method (Bird Control System) used at other courses and will investigate cost.
12. Short term project update—Wayne--how to use CRAB tournament monies discussed—need for equipment upgrade/purchase/rental? Brendan says we need a Turf Tractor and implements. Also electrical issues at maintenance shop that needs to be replaced. Needs a new panel box and dedicated circuit as well as other things. Also electrical problems on course, to redo wiring \$15,000 estimate—trenches too shallow on ½ the course. Need to be 2 feet below surface, not 4 inches. Can’t aerate now due to location of wires. Electrical issue on #13 for fountain Sally Klebba got a bid of \$5,000, but it is not a golf course issue.
13. Bunker update - Fred Nixon said that we are changing how we deal with them and it is hard to retrain from old system that packs sand down! Sand Pro has been repaired at a cost of \$600. Will continue to do more grass bunkers. Will be getting sod for bunker on #10 soon to finish it.
14. Bunker by #10 and #12—Jack says we might purchase fill dirt
15. Shorter tee proposal - Don Hunt. Suggests adding another set of tees to assist older golfers and attract those unable to hit as far as they used to. Green tees suggested and use the fairway close to the cart path. Perhaps use a colored brick to denote new tee area but we will not raise tee area. We can use the tee mower to make tee area in regular grass. PGA then would need to do another course rating.
16. Gary Hall to draft an article in the SunBird News regarding Green Up and potential for brown grass without homeowner assistance.
17. Weeds/cattails on #15—Brendan will spray and get rid of them before they become a nuisance.

18. Annie Hall has offered to pay for replacement of golf course stop signs up to \$1500. Dave will count how many we need.
19. Question about where rakes should be placed. IN BUNKER with handle easy to grasp-close to side not in the middle!
20. Wayne to reach out to Bob Morris to see if he is willing to organize a team to redo the bump in the cart path on #16.
21. Greens Keeper Tournament is to be on March 5th. Meeting to take place next Wednesday (1/19) to discuss. So far, Jack, Dave, Suzanne, Kelly and Wayne have volunteered to help run this tournament.
22. Next Meeting—Wednesday, February 9th at 9:00 on the patio.

There have been many positive comments about the state of the course now. Beautiful, looks better than ever before, etc!

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