



## **POKEGAMA GOLF COURSE BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**Tuesday, October 17, 2023  
7:30 AM**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Pursuant to due notice and call thereof, a Regular Meeting of the Pokegama Golf Course Board will be held on Tuesday October 17, 2023 , at 7:30 AM at Pokegama Golf Course, 3910 Golf Course Road, Grand Rapids, Minnesota. Rick McDonald called the meeting to order at 7:30AM.

**ROLL CALL:** Rick McDonald, John Bauer, John Ryan, Tom Lagergren

**PUBLIC INPUT:** None

**SETTING THE AGENDA:** (This is an opportunity to approve the regular agenda as presented or add/delete an Agenda item by a majority vote of the Board members present.)

Rick McDonald requested to add an Agenda item. Update on Director of Golf Position. Motion by John Ryan and Second by John Bauer to approve agenda as set with the addition Motion Approved

**APPROVE MINUTES:**

1. Approve Golf Board Minutes for September 19, 2023 Golf Board Meeting. John Ryan made a motion to approve the Minutes. Tom Lagergren Second. Motion Carried

**CLAIMS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:**

2. A review of the financials took place. John Bauer made a motion to approve the claims in the amount of \$99,691.11 Second by Tom Lagergren Motion Carried  
Bob Cahill discussed the Statement of Income and Expenses. The months of August 2022 vs 2023 were roughly the same. Differences were that the GR Hockey outing payment was in August this year and September last year. And in 2023 we did not have the Chamber of Commerce outing as we have it typically every other year.

**VISITORS:** No visitors

**REPORTS:** Superintendent Steve Ross reported. Greens were aerated on October 9 & 10 with a Core Harvest. The harvested plugs are gathered up and recycled in various areas on the course that need some turf growth help. There was discussion about changing the irrigation heads on hole #5 to reduce the amount of water that collects at the base of the hill by the pond. This is typically a very wet area that needs to be addressed. Winter greens, tees, and fairway application begin this week. Carts to be stored next week.

Steve also asked the board to consider changing the Assistant Superintendent position to 100% full time vs the current  $\frac{3}{4}$  full time position it currently is. Steve felt there was easily enough work to do in December, January, and February and some significant financial savings on routing maintenance of equipment that we now send out that can be done in house. Bob and Steve will work on determining the financial cost of this potential change. A special Board meeting will be held October 31 to review those findings.

Director of Golf Bob Cahill A special Golf Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday October 31 to discuss the 2024 Operating and CIP budgets as well as consideration to change the Assistant Superintendent position to 100% Full time vs the current ¾ Full time.

Added Agenda Item. Update from Rick McDonald on the Director of Golf hiring process. Rick stated that his understanding is that Human Resource will review applications and determine which ones qualify for an interview. Interviews will be conducted the week of November 13-17.

CORRESPONDENCE AND OPEN DISCUSSION: None

ADJOURN: Motion made by John Bauer Second by Tom Lagergren Motion Carried.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Bob Cahill