

# Minutes Huron Pines Golf & Country Club Board Meeting June 24, 2024, 7 p.m., Town of Blind River Council Chambers

Directors: Mark Deverell, John Campbell, Gerard Rainville, Jennifer Posteraro, Jim Dunbar, Ryan Hagger, Joanne Falk, Chad Horton, Tom Shamas, Mary Shamas

**Regrets: Terry Davis** 

Guests: Peter Stos, Superintendent; Kevin Cain, General Manager

#### 1) Call to Order:

- a) The meeting was called to order at 6:47 p.m.
- b) No conflicts of interest were declared.
- c) Agenda Review: The agenda was accepted as presented.
- 2) Review & Confirmation of Minutes:
  - a) May 27, 2024 Minutes

#### **RESOLUTION TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES FROM THE MAY 27, 2024 MEETING**

MOVED BY: J. Campbell SECONDED BY: M. Deverall

# "THAT the Huron Pines Golf & Country Club (HPGCC) Board confirm the minutes from the May 27, 2024 regular board meeting as amended"

#### CARRIED

Corrections:

Page one, bullet two under corrections, "the Superintendent's spouse and children currently receiving..." It should read "currently receive..."

Page two, paragraph two under comments, "In 2018 there was a cash issue..." It should read "cash flow..."

- b) Business Arising:
  - i) Confirmation was given that the \$96,879.92 payment was made to the town.
  - ii) The invoice has not yet been received for the new greens mower.
  - iii) Signatures are being collected from those driving carts for each round.
- 3) Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's report was filed for Audit.

## Comments:

The Cameco payment for lawn maintenance remains outstanding, but there is no concern regarding it being overdue.

A question arose regarding HST payable and whether it is a rebate. It is considered a liability, and the course pays the difference between what is collected and what is owed to the government, which is currently \$3,000.

Cart rentals revenue is currently higher than green fee revenue because members pay for carts at the beginning of the year.

The food and beverage lessee has paid the first month toward the amount due through the rental agreement.

4) Superintendent's Report:

P. Stos reports that conditions are improving with the weather. He is pricing new yew trees for Cameco, as there is a need to replace 65 of them. The pumps not in use cannot be rewound as they are hermetically sealed. Investigation is ongoing to see if there is a business that can perform this task. A new pump would have to be submersible so likely not rewindable either. The cost is approximately \$10,000. P. Stos will verify that one can be obtained quickly. The #5 white and blue tees are back in play.

5) General Manager's Report

K. Cain reported that he and J. Dunbar met with K. Scott from the Town of Blind River regarding the loan of two HPG&CC carts to the Mississauga First Nation (MFN) for their Powwow. Everyone is in favour so K. Cain will advise S. Daybush from MFN. Liability is covered by HPG&CC insurance.

The Unleashed tournament drew 180 players. One key takeaway was that accommodation of this number by On the River went well.

The 2024 Cameco Men's Open went ahead, with players getting in 18 holes on Saturday despite the weather. Sunday was a better day, and there was new champion crowned, Mr. Brian McGarry from Sudbury.

The Thursday Men's League has seen 100-120 players participate each week, while the Women's League has had 30-40 players each week. The Mixed League begins the last week of June.

An 8-week junior program will also begin on June 30<sup>th</sup>, at 5 p.m. for players aged 8–11, and at 6 p.m. for players aged 12-18. The proposed cost is \$50 per person, and K. Cain will work to find sponsorship to cover the fee for all participants.

A recent event was held for 15 brand new golfers from W. C. Eaket Secondary School, and it went very well.

Exit signs were discussed for the clubhouse, as they are required for fire safety. The signs, which depict green exit arrows with emergency lighting, are to be placed at the front and back doors upstairs and one downstairs, as well as in the ladies change room. Proof of order was shown to the Fire Chief, as the proper signs were not initially available. ESA has to approve the installation, once it has been completed.

- 6) Committee Reports:
  - a) Golf Course: The course has held up well during tournament play.
  - b) Kitchen/Clubhouse: T. Shamas has obtained the materials to repair decks and replace the back stairs at the clubhouse. There have been issues on two weekends where no one from On the River was there to serve breakfast. It is clearly stated in the lessee's contract that they must provide service.
  - c) Tournaments: There will be a debrief at the next meeting.
  - d) Governance: The committee met June 13<sup>th</sup> to review the bylaws for any changes required to align with the Ontario Not-for-Profit Corporations Act, 2010. M. Deverell will send the contracts for P. Stos and K. Cain to this committee for review.
- 7) New Business:

The website shutdown has been challenging. There is a temporary website running now: huronpine.com. Documentation has been obtained to transfer information from the old website to the new one. Documentation needs to be kept safely.

P. Stos noted that Stone Ridge Golf Course in Elliot Lake requires extra carts for a tournament this weekend. It was confirmed that HPG&CC will lend them three carts, with an agreement being signed by the town.

A Cameco liaison committee toured the course to view areas that will be fenced off. Prices to protect these areas are \$4,500 for the fencing and \$2,000 for fenceposts. The temporary design has been approved by the liaison committee.

## **RESOLUTION TO MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION**

MOVED BY: T. SHAMAS SECONDED BY: J. CAMPBELL

"THAT the HPGCC Board enter a closed session"

## CARRIED

## **RESOLUTION TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

## MOVED BY: J. CAMPBELL SECONDED BY: T. SHAMAS

#### "THAT the HPGCC Board return to open session"

#### CARRIED

- 8) Adjournment
  - a) Next Regular Meeting: July 29, 2024 at 7 p.m., Blind River Town Office.
  - b) Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m.