

Riverbend Golf Club Inc.
Board of Directors Meeting - Meeting Minutes
November 20, 2023

The BOD meeting was called to order at 3:02 pm by President Kevin Kennelley.

Present: Kevin Kennelley, Rosalie Deitz, John Melson, Ken Kotansky, Bill Barry, Chuck Howard, Elizabeth Haney (Board of Directors)

Liz Haney, Secretary confirmed the meeting was properly warned and we had a quorum present.

Minutes Approval: The minutes of the October 16, 2023, Golf Board meeting were approved as submitted.

President's Report

The Riverbend Lightning Alarm signals have been updated to be in synchronization with other courses in our area. When you hear one (1) long blast, lightning has been detected in the area and it is mandatory that you must leave the course immediately and seek safety. Do not go to the Halfway House as it is not safe from a lightning hit. When it is safe to return to the course, you will hear three (3) short blasts. This indicates there is no lightning in the area and it is safe to return to the course and resume your golf game.

For everyone's safety, we do not allow "walking" on the golf course. A recent incident occurred when a Riverbend resident was walking (not playing golf) across the middle of the driving range to meet with a friend on the other side of the course. A member practicing on the driving range hit a ball and stuck the member walking across the driving range in the head.

Safety is one of the Golf Boards top priorities. Rules are in place for our members safety, please follow the rules and pay attention when you are out playing golf on the course.

Treasurer's Report

The financial statement for October 2023, which is the seventh month of our fiscal year, reflects a gain of \$70,521. The Golf Club had total cash on hand of \$853,953 on October 31, 2023.

To date, October quarterly maintenance fees have been paid by all but 19 of the membership. Two accounts are in foreclosure, three have liens filed and the remaining 14 accounts are expected to remit payment without attorney involvement.

The number of golf rounds billed in October were as follows:

<u>Members</u>	<u>Current</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>YTD Prior</u>
18 holes	640	4544	5506
9 holes	321	2788	4149
 <u>Guests</u>			
18 holes	122	856	978

9 holes	42	354	462
<u>Total</u>			
18 holes	762	5400	6484
9 holes	363	3142	4611

Total Membership numbers to date are: RB 311, FM 110, NP 42, AS 5

Greens Committee

- The damaging winds last week, specifically on 11/15 & 11/16, did quite a bit of damage. Jeff Heward, our superintendent, and his crew did a fabulous job getting us cleaned up and back in play.
- Our Nursery green behind #17 has grown in nicely. This green will be used to repair our other greens. Please **do not** putt or hit golf shots off that area!
- We trimmed the Seagrape's along #17. This is necessary to keep their growth under control.

Golf Course Landscape

- No report this month

Pro Shop Report

- Jack Bennett and his committee hosted the "Turkey Trot Scramble" (Mixed 9H Scramble) on Sunday, November 12th. Dave Jones, Debra Brandt, Jean James, and Jay Coakley were the winners on the Front 9, while Craig Chasteen, Carol Duffy, A.J. Nadler, and Adrienne Short took the crown for the Back 9. Closest to the Pin winners were Chris Devine (7'0") and Debra Brandt (2'0") on the Front 9, while David Carrow (10'0") and Nicki Seibold (0'0") were winners on the Back.
- Christmas Scramble is scheduled for Sunday, December 10th.
- Official seasonal league play began Wednesday, November 1! See the Pro Shop to sign up for a league.

Ranger Report

- The ranger staff includes 15 full timers and 5 backups. We continue to evaluate times when a ranger is most needed, while matching up with our rangers personal schedule.
- We are discontinuing the water cooler and towels as the weather has cooled down.
- A first aid kit is always available.
- We expect our members with disabilities to respect the blue line that surrounds the green and the fairways which are lined with ropes. It is ok to drive over the rope to your ball using the 90-degree rule, but you must come back to the cart path.

Documents Committee

- No Report

Membership/Marketing/Summer Program

Total Membership numbers, as of November 14, 2023, are:

RB	311
NP	42

FM 110
AS 5 (non-equity)

The 2023 Summer Program concluded on October 31st with 5 Summer Member converting to Full Memberships; MM Larson, MM Cores, MM Denes, MM Widdicombe.

Additional new Full Members are Mr. & Mrs. Vandevisser, Ms. Gayle Cameron, and Mr. & Mrs. Johnson, As of 11/20/2023 we have 12 Full Memberships available.

Unfinished Business

- Response to request to allow “walking with push cart” during the day will be discussed and reported on at the next scheduled Golf Board meeting.
- The request received at earlier board meetings (Sept/Oct) to allow the use of personal golf scooters on the Riverbend Course was denied.

New Business

- The BOD did not have any new business items.

Membership Comments

- A request was received to have the BOD discuss the option of adding (construct) forward tees (adding a 4th tee option) to the Riverbend Golf Course. The Board will take the request under consideration.
- Kathleen Britch – HOA Landscaping Committee, commented on the nice landscaping efforts being made on the course.

The Meeting adjourned at 3:52pm

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth M. Haney
Secretary