

Town of St. Germain

Minutes of the June 9, 2016 Meeting of the Golf Course Committee

AGENDA

1. Call to Order – the meeting was called to order at 5:33pm by the Committee Chairman, Tom Christensen.
2. Roll Call, Establish A Quorum – Roll Call, Margo Rogers-Anderson, Aaron Becker, Jim Swenson and Tom Christensen.
3. Open Meeting Verification – Tom Christensen stated that he posted the meeting before 5:00pm on June 8, 2016.
4. Approval of the Agenda with the order left up to the discretion of the Chairman – A motion was made by Jim Swenson that was seconded by Aaron Becker, to approve the agenda as presented with the order left up to the discretion of the Chair, Voice Vote and the motion passed.
5. Approve Minutes of Past Meetings – There were no minutes from past meetings to approve.
6. Citizen's Comments – Citizens are encouraged to share their concerns and ideas with the Committee. Please limit your comments to five minutes or less. – There were no citizen's comments.
7. Discussion/Action Items
 - a. Review the current bills for recommendations to the Town Board for payment. – The committee reviewed the bills presented by Margo Rogers-Anderson and Aaron Becker. A motion was made by Jim Swenson that was seconded by Tom Christensen to recommend to the Town Board that these reviewed bills be approved for payment, voice vote and the motion passed.
 - b. Report and recommendations from Margo Rogers, Golf Pro.

Golf Pro Report for June 2016

1. Reviewed Year to Date sales numbers with committee.
 2. Hired four new employees since the committee last met.
 3. Reviewed GolfNow program and the problems associated with the POS system changing from in-house to going to the cloud.
 4. Red Hat Ladies came out and had a tour of the Golf Course.
 5. Snack Shop building improvements have been completed; ice machine is installed, landscaping is done and the new door is installed on the bathroom.
 6. Grading and stone work is done behind the cart barn.
 7. Leagues Started three weeks ago.
 8. Angle on my Shoulder event is tomorrow, June 10, 2016
 9. Still working with getting Frontier Internet service to supplement Sonic Net.
- c. Report and recommendations from Aaron Becker, Golf Superintendent.

St. Germain Golf Club Maintenance Report 6/9/16

Weather Summary for June

Average high temperature for May was 66 degrees. Coldest high was Saturday 5/14 @ 41 degrees. Warmest high was Friday 5/6 @ 88 degrees. We had a total of .49" of rain from April 26th until May 24th, with very dry air and conditions in that time frame. From May 25th until May 31st we had 3.28." May snowfall: Trace on 5/14 and 5/15.

May rainfall: 3.77"

May snowfall: Trace

Current Conditions

Greens:

-Greens are in good shape currently. Low points on greens that were infested with Poa and that were ice damage risks have been partially plugged out and are gradually meshing together. Approximately 25 tons of topdressing sand has been spread this spring. We will back off our sanding program until we build up greens speed. Regular foliar fertilizer/fungicide applications have been made and will continue to mirror last season's program. We are approaching consistent green speeds with rolling 3-4 times per week.

Fairways/Approaches:

-Fairways are in very good shape, crew is focusing on defined edges this season. 3rd fairway mower (1995 Jacobsen) has been rebuilt and is put into use 3 days a week on the driving range and holes 17 and 18

Tees:

-Tees are in good shape, regular devoting takes place along with the help from Margo's staff

Bunkers:

-Bunkers have been vertical edged and weeded within the past week. We are restoring the edges on each trap by hand raking sand away from edges and reestablishing the lip. 4-6 weeks of steady golf requires sand to be redistributed throughout the bunker and weeded/vertical edged. The left side bunker on #2 green has received 24 tons of new sand, which helps give us a 4-6 inch depth all the way around. Depend on budget availability, we will consider getting another load for #17 greenside bunker.

Rough:

-The rough has been tamed by the new 9 foot cut width Toro 4500D. One crew member is able to mow all of the main rough and 75 percent of the green, tee and bunker banks in 2.5 days (20 hours). On each Friday if timing and scheduling allows, he goes out for 4 hours and mows 3 passes around the perimeter of each fairway to freshen the primary rough for the weekend. We are reducing our clumped grass clippings during wet periods thanks to the productivity and power of the new machine.

Projects

-Driving range drainage is 100% complete; we have excellent grass coverage in our three basin areas. Once the area firms up, we will allow our fairway mowers to cut the new grass.

-Stump grind work is still on the to-do list for the back of the driving range and #1 cart path near green

-Mulligans landscaping is complete around the new addition to the building

-The rear of the cart barn was excavated and 4-6" of 1.5 inch washed gravel was dispersed to clean up area and prevent mud washouts/giving more room to park carts on a busy day

Miscellaneous

-Shop yard has been organized with the help of Tim and Mike from Public works. Mike bulldozed the overburden area as you pulled into the shop yard. Tim and Mike then hauled numerous loads of road gravel as a base in this area. We now have staged all of our numerous gravel and rock we use on the course in this location

-We are installing an industrial exhaust fan on the side of our irrigation pump house wall near where the pumps are located. The fan will be on a timer to come on the nights we water. We hope this helps draw warm out outside and cool the interior of the building better.

Future ideas/on the to-do list

-New women's tee #18

-Gutter(s) @ Mulligan's addition and Bathrooms #4/12

-Clean and stain half log siding on pump house and rain shelters

-New shingles on rain shelters

-New benches for the golf course

- d. Review Budget Performance – A motion was by Tom Christensen that was seconded by Jim Swenson to recommend to the Board the following budget adjustments:

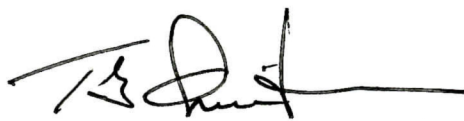
1. Increase budget line item 6026 by \$31.00, 6306 by \$866.21 and reduce 6314 by \$897.00.
2. Increase budget line item 6106 by \$5,000.00 and decrease carry over for next year by \$5,000.00.

Voice vote and the motion passed.

8. Committee Member Concerns – There were no additional committee concerns at this time.

9. Next Regular Committee Meeting Date – July 7, 2016

10. Adjourn – A motion was made by Jim Swenson and Seconded by Aaron Becker to adjourn, voice vote and the motion passed.



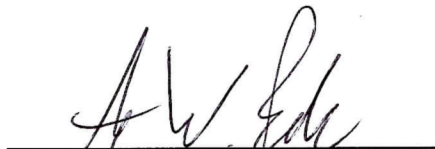
Tom Christensen
Committee Chairman



Margo Rogers-Anderson
Committee Member



Jim Swenson
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Aaron Becker
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