

RAC GOLF COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes – Club Room

October 25, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM in the 4th floor conference room.

Members Present: Carolyn Bethea, Carolyn Clark, Joe Law, Marty O'Neill, Ted Roberts, Molly Walker, Maryann Wellander. Ron Larkin, Director of Golf, Racquet Sports and Hospitality also attended.

Members Excused: Denis Bluett and Dick Green

- 1. The agenda was adopted by unanimous vote.
- 2. The minutes of the September meeting were approved by unanimous vote.

3. Ron Larkin Reported:

Draft beer will be available within a week with plastic cups to go.

The rangers are working to get more play through when slow groups are holding up play. Tee time interval was expanded to 15 minutes.

New floating plants are ordered for delivery by the holidays.

A new hot dog machine order is requested and approval is pending.

Trail sign delivery for the return path to the clubhouse after 9 holes are expected in late November.

New flags for the carts of handicapped players are available and in use.

Starters are providing golf etiquette reminders to golfers to improve the flow and enjoyment of play.

Connie and Corena from ROC will be reviewing and recommending tournament play opportunities. No promise date was given.

Tee box condition will be Ron's priority. The need for improvement is recognized.

- **4. Course Rating** comment was postponed until Dick Green returns, probably at the next meeting.
- 5. Local Rules were discussed at some length. Many courses have them. After extensive discussion the decision was to continue without any. The rules of golf are already extensive and each situation of play at Freedom Fairways can be fit to the existing PGA rule book. Any special rule or situation such as "lift, clean and place" should be agree to at the 1st tee.
- 6. Cart Occupancy was confirmed to be one per cart unless the golfers wish to double up. It appears that all courses in the area have adopted the same policy since Covid...
- 7. Carts on Fairway provisions were reviewed. A handicap flag is required for extensive use of the fairway. For others, common sense will prevail, but as a general rule the carts must remain on the cart paths. Carts should always remain 30 feet from the green surface. Golfers should restore any chains they drop to access the fairway.
- 8. Resident Couples or Members social and golf was raised by Joe Law. He may investigate the practicality of an event exclusive to the residents.
- Meeting Date and Time was standardized as 1:00 PM on the last Monday of each calendar month in the Club Room. The next meeting will be on Nov. 29th.

SUBMITTED BY MARTY O'NEILL