

RAC GOLF COMMITTEE Meeting Minutes – 4th floor room

March 27, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 AM

Members Present: Caroly Bethea, Don Eckerson, Joe Law, Dave Lowe, Marty O'Neill, Ted Roberts, Molly Walker, MaryAnne Wellander, Ron Wesorick and Ron Larkin, Director of Golf, Racquet Sports and Hospitality

- 1. The new gas powered golf carts will arrive on April 5th. Old carts will be removed at the same time.
- There was a recent inspection of the cart barn at which time it was determined that clean up responsibility belongs to Freedom Plaza not C & S. Once this was determined gas, which was previously stored in the barn, was moved to a safer location off site.
- 3. The Pro Shop and the cart barn were power washed last Wednesday.
- 4. The greens were aerated last week and closing the course while aerating occurs was discussed and was received favorably by the committee.
- 5. The drop off near the #3 tee box was discussed but Ron said that this area was part of the course and would require removing curbing throughout the tract.
- 6. Collars are improving but Don mentioned that the green side fringes need to be sprayed for crabgrass.
- 7. The upcoming Member/Guest has been broadened to accommodate a Member/Member format and will be a 2 person best ball.. Cash prizes will be added to a multitude of other prizes. Additionally, there will be a "last place" prize giving hope to all of us!.Rosa and her staff will prepare another sumptuous meal of tenderloin, turkey, green beans, mashed potatoes and desserts.

- 8. First quarter sales in the Pro Shop are breaking records. Congrats to Ron and his excellent staff!
- 9. Golf Now ratings have come out. We scored a 92.1% rate...better than most, if not all, area courses.
- 10.It was noted that some hazard stakes are not marked correctly. Holes 5 and 8. were mentioned as examples.
- 11.In an ongoing effort to better and beautify the course, Don mentioned that the Florida State Golf Association will send an agronomist to evaluate the course and make improvement recommendations. Membership in the FSGA is required.
- 12.As tree replacement planting continues, it was noted that location should be determined by "sticking to the original plan".
- 13.It was noted that there are discrepancies between the course marking and the actual distance to the greens. Distances should be coordinated with the new scorecards.

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, April 24th at 9:30 am in the 4th floor meeting room.

Respectfully, submitted,

Dave Lowe Secretary n