



MEN'S GOLF CLUB
OF LINCOLN HILLS

Board Meeting Minutes - April 20, 2021
ZOOM Conference Call

Present: Pete Saco Jim McGeough Jeff Warner
 Roger Val Jack Dillon Bruce Lyau
 Mike Munro Tom Horan Bob Schoenherr
 Rob Davies Mike McGuire-Back Rich Henrikson
 John DeWildt

Absent: Brian Fox Jesse Reuter

Guests: (none)

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: Pete

- President Pete Saco called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm.

2. APPROVE MARCH 2021 MINUTES Jim

- Previously submitted via email, the March 2021 Minutes were approved by all Board Members present as submitted via email. Final version will be posted on our website this week.

3. FINANCIAL REPORT Bruce

- Regarding the Actual March YTD 2021 report, Bruce emailed the month ending spreadsheet with a total balance of \$28,901 which breaks down as follows:
 - o MGCLH; \$20,892 – Hole-in-One; \$1,064 – CVS; \$6,945.The March 2021 Financial Report was approved.
- Bruce also advised that posting of April's tournament winnings into the individual golfers' Lincoln Hills Golf Club Account will be delayed until next Monday, April 26.

4. MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Bob

- Bob advised that we have 2 new members join since our last meeting. There is some speculation that new membership registrations are lower than normal as there are fewer homes being sold in Lincoln Hills.

- The New Member Golf Tournament went very well. It was a very windy day and that added to the challenge of the Orchard Course. 25 New Members participated as well as 8 or 9 Board Members. Bob thanked Mike Munro for assisting in creating a tournament-like atmosphere with tournament scorecards and a fun format. Many at this Board meeting supported the idea of having this tournament every year
- Bob has talked to a couple prospective new members about joining mid-year. They would like to wait until we lower the 2021 Dues, which could be June or July
- Bob will order the tee prizes for the June 21 & 22 Memorial Tournament. They found a golf cooler that will hold 9 cans and has a removable and re-freezable ice packet. He can get them for \$9.99 each (plus tax, \$50 set-up fee, and shipping) and our logo is included. The vendor needs the order by May 17 to guarantee shipment in time. The Board authorized Bob to order 200 units today and have them shipped to his house 2 weeks prior to the event. Bob will use his credit card and the Club will reimburse him.

5. **SPONSOR REPORT / UPDATES: Rich**

- Sheri McGrail will be a Hole In One Sponsor once we start that contest again (maybe May Tournament?)
- Old Town Pizza has been approached and might be interested in being a sponsor later this year. Rich will talk to them again in November
- Siino's has not paid their sponsorship dues for 2020 or 2021. We will remove them from our sponsorship list.
- Mr. Pickles is interested in becoming a sponsor but would like to barter. If they provide discounts for bag lunches for an upcoming tournament or two, he would like a discount off the annual \$625. The Board approved the barter and will revisit on the next annual renewal period.

6. **TOURNAMENT REPORT: Mike Munro**

- The April NCGA Qualifier and JFF tournament went well. Several of the flights were very close, showing that the handicapping progress is working. However, there were a couple challenges:
 - o Pace of Play on the Orchard Course was unacceptable (some reported 4 hours 50 minutes to complete the round)
 - o The LH golf course added a couple 4-somes ahead of the tournament start and this created a traffic jam at the 10th hole. Mike will work with the course to prevent this from happening in future events
- Speaking of Pace of Play, there is documented proof that Pace improves when there is a Marshal on the course. This last tournament, we only had one Marshal and Mike assigned him to the Hills Course. (Thank you John Garfien!). Mike is again proposing that we assign members on a rotating basis to work as a Marshal. If done correctly, a member would Marshal once every 7-8 years. We would need approximately 24 Marshals per year. Several Board members volunteered to Marshal at the upcoming May ABCD Tournament. Mike will consider utilizing a couple of these volunteers but it should not be perceived as a Board Member duty
- The discussion of re-instituting Closest-To-the-Pin and Long Drive contests for the May tournament. That brought up discussions regarding sponsors for each Par-3 hole and long drive. Do we have a Closest-to-the-pin contest on all 8 Par-3 holes? What about our Hole-In-One sponsors? What do we do about sponsor signage? How much do we pay out for each contest? Do we have enough cards, stakes and tape measures for 8 Par-3's and 4 long drives? Mike will work

on some ideas and advise.

- Mike advised that we will not hold an additional Match Play tournament this year as announced earlier. He will let the general membership know via an upcoming email.
- There has been some general membership comments regarding the fact that the Club is not paying for the NCGA Tournament for our qualifiers. That was a Board decision to balance the 2021 budget. All members were advised of the decision prior to any registration for the NCGA Qualifier events.

7. COMMUNICATIONS REPORT: Mike

- The April Linksletter, Compass, and Sun City News articles all went out as planned.
- Pete mentioned that we are often advised of the deaths of former members. Pete asked if it would be possible to have an "In Memoriam" section of the Linksletter. Mike will incorporate that into the next issue.

8. SUNSHINE REPORT: Jim

- Nothing new to report (see Communications Report above for death notifications)

9. WEBSITE REPORT: Jeff

- If you go to the Club Website, the first thing you will see is an invitation to renew your dues. Since this makes the site look a little dated, Jeff will remove that introductory statement.
- Jeff rewrote the Course Care Initiative and removed any reference to blue flags (i.e., handicap flags). Since the LH Golf Course does not recognize or distribute blue flags, there is no need for the Men's Club to mention them.
- Jeff mentioned that recently our Website was locked out as it was attacked by Spambots. According to the internet provider, if Admin Passwords are attempted and fail a number of times, the site is locked out for 20 or 30 minutes.....or more. Apparently, the Spambots have failed but we need to be aware of their existence. Maybe change passwords?

10. HANDICAP REPORT: Rob

- Rob reported that he had all the raw data regarding the various holes for handicapping purposes. With additional data from Mike Munro regarding tournament scoring, Rob was able to compile a suggested hole handicapping that adheres to NCGA and USGA guidelines. He presented the information to Ryan Peterson at the golf course. Ryan will submit the information to NCGA for their approval. Once the hole handicaps are approved, new slopes and ratings will also be issued by the NCGA. Once Ryan receives all the information and approvals from the NCGA, he will have new cards printed. This could take 4-6 more weeks before we see anything new.

11. SOCIAL REPORT: Jack

- Jack asked the Board if we should offer lunch at one or both days of the Memorial Tournament. The Board decided that lunches for both days would work best. Mr. Pickles will probably do one day and Jack will look at other options (Meridians?) for the other day. Jack mentioned that a bag lunch from Mr. Pickles would run about \$8 each.

12. RULES REPORT: Roger V

- Roger has a meeting scheduled with Scott Hall next week. After that meeting, he will put a plan together to update both courses with stakes (as many as possible) and paint. Roger is looking forward to doing this as it will give an immediate impact to the playability of the course.

13. CVS REPORT: Jesse/John

- John advised that 18 Lincoln Hills players participated in the April 19 Sierra View Country Club tournament. There were 120 players total, so our representation was fairly large. Pace of Play was a little slow but that is to be expected for a shotgun start. The course provided a full breakfast for all prior to the shotgun.
- Currently we have 12 slots available for the Valley Hi CVS Tournament on May 10. There is a possibility that there might be more openings available so he is encouraging more members to sign up. Right now we only have one name on the wait-list.
- After the Valley Hi event, the next event in May is at Yolo Fliers on May 24. John will send details as soon as he gets them
- We currently have 43 members

14. OLD BUSINESS: All

- Pete reported that he has been working with the Women's Golf Clubs for the combined tournament event on June 7. Pete will handle the registration for the Men. To get the ball rolling on this, each participating Club has been asked to donate \$50. Pete received approval from the Board for the expense.
- More discussions resumed regarding insurance, waivers, Lincoln Hills Umbrella Policy Coverage, etc. Based on the latest information that Pete received from Lavina Samoy, our waiver and coverage concerns might need to be re-addressed. Pete will dig into this further and advise.

15. NEW BUSINESS

- No Report

16. OPEN ACTION ITEMS

- General Membership Meeting dates for 2021 – Mike
- Order Memorial Tournament Coolers – Bob
- Review of individual member status – Rob, Jack, and Roger
- Implement “staking and penalty-area-painting” – Roger and friends
- Reinstating Closest-to-the-Pin and Long Drive Contests? – Mike
- Revisit Waiver, Umbrella Policy Coverage, Insurance, etc - Pete
- MGCLH Membership status with NCGA – Regular Club or Associate Club? – Pete/Roger
- Locate 2nd lunch source for Memorial Tournament - Jack

Meeting was closed at 4:27pm.

The next Board meeting will be on Tuesday, May 25th at 3:00pm. It will be held at Pete's patio. ZOOM connection will also be available for those that prefer to stay home.

Minutes recorded, compiled, and distributed by Jim McGeough – 2021 Secretary