GOLF COMMITTEE  
Frye Island Golf Course  

Minutes of Meeting of August 5, 2007  

A. MEMBERS PRESENT: Don Davis, Laura Davis, Bill Gately, Mike Hurley, Mike Mazzola, Paul Lyons, Bruce Nisula, Vic Solomini, and Mark Thomas  

B. OTHERS PRESENT: Jim Hodge  

C. LOCATION: Golf Club Lounge  

D. CALL TO ORDER: Director Thomas called the Meeting to order at 10:45 A.M.  

E. PRIOR MINUTES: The draft of the prior meeting had been previously approved by unanimous vote over the internet.  

F. EXECUTIVE SESSION : None  

G. OLD AND NEW BUSINESS  

1. Developing a practice area to include a driving range and practice green was discussed. A set of plans that was prepared in 1993 is being reviewed. Information is being sought on what permitting will be required for the Town, PWD, and DEP. There is considerable growth in the area, which will probably have to be chipped, not burned. Stumps will be grubbed out. Digging out a water retention area to control runoff should be no major problem.  

2. Chairs, tables, and umbrella sets for the rear deck at a price of $400 per set may be available, similar to those in front. Funding details remain to be finalized.  

3. Of the 12 Tee Markers, eleven are taken and one is available.  

4. The financial reports were reviewed. The Membership goal is very near 100%. The operational expenses and revenues appear on target for the time of year. There is one remaining payment of $5,470 to be made on the tractor in early 2008. At its most recent meeting, the Executive Committee approved expending $7,500 from Equipment Reserve on a Toro 5400 mower. A motion had been made on July 17, 2007, via the internet by Mark and seconded by Bruce that $7500 from Reserves be spent on the Toro 5400. Unanimously approved.  

5. The CEO has not yet responded to our request for clarification of the Code violations that he has identified. When that information is available, the plan is to proceed with making the appropriate changes.  

6. New bar stools and air conditioning have been installed in the Lounge.
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7. A box of night golf balls that was shipped to the Golf Course did not arrive so the Night Golf Tournament had to be post-poned until August 25th. The entry fee will be $15.

8. The next Ice Cream Social is scheduled for Sep 1.

9. Tournament sign up policy was discussed. Next year, a new procedure will be instituted. Each Tournament will have a date when the sign-up sheet goes up and a date when the sign-up sheet comes down.

10. Steamer Night was a great success. Therefore, there will be a repeat on August 25, at 6 PM.

11. Jim reported that the Course was doing well. He said that the Toro 5400 was in exceptionally good condition—a great buy. The 3rd Hole drainage work is completed. Irrigation is working well with only 3 of 183 heads that need some electrical work. The double green damage caused by some youngsters riding a golf cart on the green is responding satisfactorily to his repairs. The 5th Tee project is underway. Materials are being stockpiled. Contractors to assist have been lined up. The gold tees will be roped off soon in order to start preparing fill for the site. The projected budget seems reasonable. The women’s 9th Tee will be done at the same timeframe and budget in the fall when equipment is rented for the 5th Tee work.

12. How to get the kitchen project moving forward again was discussed. Mark reported that the issues with the CEO were not yet clarified. He also commented that for the bigger tournaments a second stove, which could be in the back room, was a must. Paul suggested that written instructions would be helpful for those not experienced with operating the new stove. Laura D. will be circulating a sketch of the design in the next few days.

13. A number of operational issues within the Lounge area were discussed. Preparation of drinks of proper potency, assuring that customers are charged the proper amount, proper security procedures for handling cash, minimizing personal phone calls, keeping things clean and neat, and timely customer service were recognized as deserving review and emphasis from time to time.

14. With respect to the Tournament Schedule, it was noted that the Championship is under way and Night Golf is scheduled for July 28. Jim has organized a Superintendent’s Tournament for August 7.

15. Yardage book needs more revisions. The latest version sent out by Mike H. a few seeks ago as a pdf file should be gone over in anticipation of final preparation for next spring.

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16. Workdays are scheduled for Sept 16 and Oct 14.

17. Course rating and slope and hole handicapping will be reviewed in anticipation of
the next printing of golf scorecards. Player handicaps are an issue at all clubs,
and ours is no exception. The Members will be encouraged to post ALL scores--
 omitting neither good nor bad ones is the key to proper functioning of the
handicap system.

18. Project List

   Major Capital Cost
   1. Purchase Equipment as needed.
      - 2007 -Utility Cart or truck ($3,000) (Pending)
      - 2008 - 72” Rotary Mower in 2008 (new/used $18,000/$10,000)
      - 2009 - Fairway Mower ($7,500) (Purchased 2007)
      - 2010 - Greens Mower ($18,000/$19,000)
      - 2011 -One Ton Dump Truck ($28,000/$15,000)
   2. Golf carts
   3. Finishing the 9th Tee area construction. – 2007 (Pending)
   4. Driving Range – start 2008 (Discussion)
   5. Putting Green/Practice Bunker – start 2008 (Discussion)

   Minor Capital Cost
   1. Add a guard rail by the pond on the 8 – (Done 2007)
   2. New Air conditioner – 2007 (Purchased)
   3. Fountain(s)
   4. Replace the remaining old chairs and tables (Discussion)

   Greens keeping Staff (or Lounge Staff)
   1. Repair area in front of the pond on 3rd hole (Done 2007)
   2. 2007 – Reconstruct 5th hole Tee (2007) ($7,000) (Pending)
   3. Remove dirt mound on 9 and plant grass – 2007 (Pending)
   4. Improve drainage on 2nd hole front of tees and between pond and green
   5. Repairing, re-leveling, and reseeding tees (one per year).
   6. Improve definition of cart path on 3 and 6. Add bluestone.
   7. Remove Bunker on 5
   8. Enlarge Women’s tee boxes on 3 (Future) and 9th (Pending)
   9. Add a fairway bunker on 7 (Future).
   10. Redo sand traps.

   Membership (Minimal Cost)
   1. Loaming over the holes and ruts on the fairways.
   2. Clearing of brush, branches and rocks from woods.
   3. Maintenance of Tee Markers to provide color without obstructing plaques.

H. CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
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1. Future Meeting Dates as follows:

    Sunday, Sep 2, (Annual Meeting) immediately following the Scramble.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 AM.

Minutes approved via the internet.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce C. Nisula
Secretary, Golf Committee