

G-CAT Board Meeting
August 17, 2020
3:00 p.m.

In attendance at Zoom meeting:

Larry Ransford
Loren Janulewicz
Teresa Anderson
Vic Evans (at Larry's house)
John Harnett
Bob Knudson
Bob Ore

- Minutes for the July 20, 2020, meeting were approved.
- Prior to the meeting, Larry Ransford emailed to the Board the financial statements for the month ending July 31, 2020. Larry reviewed with the Board financials for the General Fund and the Enterprise Fund as well as spreadsheets showing Sales by Department, Revenue Rounds from 2017 through July, 2020. Overall, golf course revenue again increased substantially over the same time last year; and again, expenses were higher due to increased number of marshals, personnel to clean carts and rest rooms, and the purchase of sanitation supplies. Rounds of golf are up 56.89% over rounds in July of 2019. Sales revenues for green fees, cart rentals, etc. are up 46.93% over the same period (January through July of 2019).
- Larry emailed a proposed new sign to put on the driving range and the first tee box relating to golfers' responsibilities for damage. He also presented a sign relating to the prohibition of bring in alcoholic beverages, pace of play, the repair of divots and ball marks, and keeping golf carts away from tees and greens and on the cart path on all par 3's. He said he has also ordered a new sign for the driving range regarding the use of irons only.
- The chipping area of the putting green is now open and use of the chipping/putting green and the range is limited to people playing the course.
- There was a discussion of any changes being made in the pro shop (i.e., sale of merchandise) and it was agreed that there would be no changes at this time and all social distancing measures would stay in place.
- Loren asked for an update on turning the old pool area on the west side of the club house into a putting green, chipping area, and sand practice area. Bob Knutson reported that although Kevin from Phelps-Atkinson had been out to look at and take pictures of the area, he had not yet sent Bob any design drawings or cost estimates.
- Larry reported that the new fence for No. 6 tee box has been ordered and is three to four weeks out for delivery and installation.
- There was a long discussion regarding the state of the water wells. Bob Knutson said the well near hole No. 5 has begun spurting air along with the water. Bob obtained estimates from

Layne Christensen Company for scoping the well. Bob said because of our extreme draught conditions, water in the aquifer that supports our wells is not being replenished which is putting a strain on the pump at hole No. 5. Larry asked Bob about the amount of water pumped from both wells and the amount used to water the course daily. The Board also discussed the possibility of drilling a new well. It was decided that Bob would bring in a water engineer to assess the wells and give his recommendations for our best path forward.

- The Board discussed awarding mid-year bonuses to the golf course staff, both permanent and part-time employees, for their work during these difficult times. It was recommended that employees be awarded \$2.00 per hour for every hour worked between January 1 and July 31. The Board unanimously agreed to the payment of the bonuses along with the Board's thanks for jobs well done.
- Loren discussed the many complaints the golf course has been receiving from homeowners whose properties are adjacent to the fairways and tees about broken windows, golf balls hitting their houses, and golfers coming onto their property to retrieve balls. Vic pointed out that this has been an unusual golf season with the influx of more golfers on the course than usual. Loren confirmed that the golf course is not responsible for property damage, but said he would remind people as he could about not going onto peoples' property to retrieve golf balls.

The meeting adjourned at 4:09. Our next meeting will be Monday, September 21, 2020.