

## GOLF ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

### REGULAR MEETING

FRIDAY, JANUARY 9, 2015, AT 9:00 A.M.

A regular meeting of the Golf Advisory Committee (GAC) was convened by the Chairman, John McDonnell, at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, January 9, 2015, in Multipurpose Room #3 at Gateway Complex.

Present, in addition to the Chairman, were Donald A. Terry, Vice Chairman, Lydia F. Bolinger, Michael J. Devlin, Mary Hufford, Stephen D. Roath, Susan Williamson, and Barbara S. Jordan, ex-officio member and GRF Board representative. Also attending were Diane Guilfooy, President, and Mary Lou Delpuch, Director, GRF; Warren T. Salmons, CEO; Mark K. Heptig, Director of Golf; Blake Swint, Golf Course Superintendent, Dickey Nitta, Chief Marshal; and one resident. Attendance

The report of the Committee's regular meeting held on December 5, 2014, was approved as written. Report Approved

The Chairman welcomed the Committee for the new year and introduced the new Chief Marshal, Mr. Nitta. Chairman's Report

All of the Clubs reported minimal activity as they are currently going through the membership renewal period. Activity for all Clubs is generally reduced during December and January, as new boards are seated, and schedules and membership directories are updated. Club Reports

Ms. Jordan announced that the GRF Policy Committee will review the GAC's Charter dealing with the appointment of golf club members to the GAC at its February meeting. GRF Board Report

Mr. Heptig presented the Golf Management Report, which is attached. His report reflected a solid year of golf activity. Staff Reports

Mr. Swint presented the Golf Course Superintendent's report, which is attached. He reported that the rain put a damper on play during December, but it also provided much needed water. The downpours tested all the work his crew did on drainage and recapture of water. The bunkers drained better than expected and all but eliminated the man-hours of pumping that used to go into removing water and rebuilding the sand. Those hours have been redirected to other maintenance and improvement projects.

Mr. Nitta reported that the Marshal crew hosted a lunch at Creekside for the retiring Chief, William L. Herrick. Mr. Heptig presented Mr. Herrick with a plaque to acknowledge his many years of faithful service. Marshal Betty A. Cuniberti was asked to write an article for the newspaper and did a great job describing Mr. Herrick's contributions. Chief Marshal's Report

Messrs. Heptig and Swint led the Committee in a discussion of golf course operations. The following items were reviewed:

Golf Course  
Operations

- Continuing efforts to mitigate problems created by the enormous flock of geese that refuse to migrate.
- The expansion of the turf reduction program, which is part of the continuing water conservation effort.
- The drainage project on the driving range to tie in with the work done to get water to the pond on the first fairway at Creekside.
- A preview of work to be done this year.
- The Long Range Plan elements as they apply to the golf course are being reviewed by the GRF for approval as part of the entire community's long-range plan. One of the goals of the Committee is to be advisory concerning the priority of golf-related items.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Adjournment

The next regular meeting of the Committee will be held on Friday, February 6, 2015, at 9:00 a.m. in the Board Room at Gateway Complex.

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John McDonnell, Chairman  
Golf Advisory Committee

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