

## Green Mountain National Golf Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes for January 14, 2014

Present: Leo Davin  
Mary Furlong  
Peter Metzler  
Seth Webb – Town Manager  
David Soucy – Golf Course General Manager and PGA Professional

Absent: Ken Lee

Guests: None

Agenda: Meeting called to order at 2 PM.

Minutes from the November 19, 2013 meeting read and approved.

Commissioner's Concerns: None

Topics of Discussion:

Mr. Soucy advised that after allocating \$50,000 to the town General Fund, the 2014 balance in the Capitol Reserve Fund is \$121,985. In the next few weeks he is hoping to finalize equipment needs for the 2014 season. One of the needs includes a new grinding machine which he needs to complete additional research on.

Mr. Soucy presented the suggested 2014 GNMGC Membership Programs which included the fee schedules. A review of the 2013 membership showed 101 individual residential memberships; 32 Friends and Family memberships, down from the previous year's 45; and, 41 Young Adult memberships, up from the previous year's 38. A new program will be introduced in 2014, "Second Club Membership"; the intent of this program is to induce members from other clubs to join and frequently play at GMNGC.

Mr. Soucy advised that preliminary discussions have begun on an initiative to review the grounds at GMNGC to develop a program to speed up the pace

of play. A walking tour of the facility is being planned to identify areas to improve visibility i.e. clearing the rocks and high vegetation growth between the 1<sup>st</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> hole allowing mowers access rather than hand weed whacking thus improving the time to find your ball and initiate the next shot. More on this topic in coming months.

A lengthy discussion ensued on the topic of golf carts and whether GMNGC should initiate a change from gas to electric. Several points on the topic included: the condition and trade in value of our current fleet, cost differential of trading in the carts a year early, whether there is a cost savings in converting from gas to electric, cost of running electric conduit to the cart storage facility, cart rental versus ownership, cost of maintenance agreements, and how many rounds can we expect to get from a cart before it needs recharging and, battery cost and warranty availability. Mr. Soucy advised he is scheduled to attend the upcoming golf show in FL. He will check out these concerns with the various manufacturers and distributors and report back to us.

A question was asked of Mr. Soucy concerning both the software package used in the pro shop and restaurant and also the hardware used. Mr. Soucy advised he will be talking with software suppliers at the golf show and will report back at our next meeting.

Follow up to be completed by Mr. Soucy:

- Cost and need of grinding machine
- Golf cart information
- Computer software and hardware replacement

Next meeting: February 20, 2014 (2 PM at Town Hall)

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn made by Mr. Metzler and carried unanimously at 3:35.