

Glendale Lakes Golf Club Committee Meeting Minutes
April 15, 2025 at Glendale Lakes Golf Club

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm by Chairman Pat Maritato. Chairman Maritato acknowledged and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Attendance: Trustee Bill Schmidt, Mr. Bob Hoffman, Mr. Paul Gasiecki, Mr. Tom Lux, Mr. Ed Lambke, Mr. Keith Knautz (Director, Leisure Services), and Jennifer Ferrell.

Others present: Steve Solesky, Brian Trifilio and Rosemary Russell (Notes/Minutes).

Public Discussion: None

Approval of Minutes 11.25.2024: Mr. Bob Hoffman motioned to approve the Minutes and Mr. Lux seconded. Chairman Maritato approved.

Monthly Management Reports: Jennifer Ferrell gave a re-cap of the Monthly Reports from November 2024 through March 2025. In November the weather was decent for the first half of the month, then turned cold and stayed cold. Turkey Shoot was held on 11/2 and 11/3. Saturday we hosted 144 golfers. On Sunday, the forecast called for inclement weather so we canceled the 11/3 event and postponed it until 11/10. On 11/10 we hosted 119 golfers. In December the weather continued to be cold, therefore, we did very few rounds for the remainder of the year. Also, a new telephone system was installed at the golf course. We were the first department in the Village to receive this system. Additionally, we were informed of a new tax from the State of Illinois in regards to golf course equipment rental (to be discussed later in the meeting). For the entire month of January the golf course was closed. This allowed staff to clean and organize the basement and dispose of left-over items. Also, the carpets in the facility were cleaned, the wood trim in the banquet rooms was re-stained and Dave Edwards bench was re-stained for spring. Lastly, we created some group golf lessons for juniors and adults for Spring and Summer. In February, the golf course was open for the 3 days the weather was decent and we were able to do 110 rounds (walking only). We began to work on "Save The Date" post cards for all those who participated in the 2024 Charity Golf Classic. The bunker renovation plan was revised due to VOGH receiving a grant for a new park. We experimented with some new food items for our bar patrons and lastly, posted for summer seasonal positions and conducted interviews. In March, the course opened with carts on March 10 (cart path only) and we produced 1,017 rounds for the month. We were also able to finish our hiring of seasonal staff. Spring Fling sign-up began on March 1, Saturday's sign-up sold out in a few hours, and by the end of the day, Sunday's event was 75% full. Staff attended meetings on new financial software that will be implemented for the 2025/2026 fiscal year. Lastly, a Townhome Board Meeting was scheduled for April with residents.

2025 Golf Outing Bookings: Ms. Ferrell began by stating that 2024 ended with 46 outings booked. Steve Solesky informed the Committee that, to date, there are currently 35 bookings for 2025. He also stated that he is still sending out quotes to various groups. There are several new groups this year, two of which, are from Orchard Valley. In addition, this year Steve Solesky will be handling all the information for the outings including the food and beverage portion. Steve will then pass that information along to Belgio's. Any additions and/or changes prior to the outing will be handled by Steve and then forwarded to Belgio's Catering. Keith Knautz stated he has spoken with Belgio's regarding these new changes and they are fine with the golf course handling the arrangements.

Before beginning **New Business** on the agenda Mr. Maritato stated the next speaker would be Brian Trifilio. Mr. Trifilio had to leave the meeting earlier than anticipated and asked to present his portion at the beginning.

New Business:

1. **Nets & Poles on Golf Course for Residents:** This topic was tabled until later in the meeting.
2. **New Taxes on Equipment Rentals:** Jennifer Ferrell stated that the State of Illinois has instituted a new Equipment Rental Tax. She is currently working with the Finance Department to work this tax into our system by

May 1st. The golfers will pay this tax at the counter when they check in. Chairman Maritato asked if we could make a sign so that our golfers know this tax is being instituted by The State of Illinois.

- 3. Bunker Renovation Update and 4. Satellite Controllers:** Brian Trifilio stated that approximately 400 tons of dirt has been moved to the golf course. The bunker on hole #14 is still being work on. Chairman Maritato asked if the Public Works Department is helping move the dirt to which Mr. Trifilio stated “yes”. He added that he is not sure if we should move on to #1 or #10 holes next, but the bunker on #3 will be eliminated. With these renovations Mr. Trifilio stated he is trying to keep the damage to the golf course to a minimum. He then spoke regarding the replacement of our Satellite Controllers for the sprinklers. He stated our current system is 27 years old and we anticipate doing the replacement in-house but it is a tedious process. He then stated he believes we are now on the right track.
- 5. Tree Trimming + Inlet & Outlet Work:** Jennifer Ferrell stated that some of the tree trimming was done in the Fall by a VOGH contracted company and the Parks Department and will also be done in the Spring.
- 6. 2025/2026 Budget Items:** Jennifer Ferrell discussed those new items that were approved for the 2025/26 fiscal year. They include: new patio furniture, a new sign in the parking lot and also on the 1st tee, new flooring for the clubhouse (cost \$55,000) and a new greens mower (arrival in June or July) and gator (arrival in May). The last two items were able to be financed for 5 years at a very low interest rate.
- 7. Staffing Update:** Jennifer Ferrell stated that the golf course is just about done hiring for the season. Also, she stated she would like to stagger tee times to smaller intervals on the weekends and offer a lower rate to play from 6 to 7am on weekdays only.
- 8. Spring Fling Update:** Jennifer Ferrell reported that, as of the date of this meeting, both days are full. Also, the menus will be different for each day.
- 9. 2025 Charity Classic Date:** Jennifer Ferrell stated that a reminder postcard has been sent to all those that participated last year. The cost per person this year will be \$175.00.
- 10. Reminder 2025 Golf Course Committee Meeting Dates:** Jennifer Ferrell began by reminding everyone the meetings will be held in April, August and December of 2025. She also stated that as the month approaches she will send out a email asking for availability.

Other Discussion Items: Chairman Maritato began by informing the Committee that he, Keith Knautz and Jennifer Ferrell held a meeting with the Townhome Associations that surround the golf course. Most of the attendees has nice things to say about the golf course, however, a few residents were concerned with the amount of swearing they hear on the course. Keith Knautz stated we will have the rangers remind our golfers not to swear. Chairman Maritato noted that there are more children living on the golf course than ever before. This leads to children on the fairways and also fishing in the ponds. Chairman Maritato would also like the rangers on the course to keep watch of the kids on the fairways and the ponds on holes 10, 12 and 14. Keith Knautz stated he will look into having a reminder for parents put in the Village E-News Letter.

Adjournment: Without any further discussion Chairman Maritato asked for an adjournment of the meeting. Mr. Bob Hoffman motioned to adjourn and Trustee Schmidt seconded.

The meeting adjourned at 7:49pm.

