

**Lower Salford Township
Recreation Authority Meeting
February 23, 2023**

The meeting of the Lower Salford Township Recreation Authority was called to order by Chairman Douglas Gifford at 7:02 p.m. Present were Karl Janetka and James O'Malley. Also present was Joseph Czajkowski, Township Manager, Dan Washleski, General Manager at Lederach Golf Course and Stuart Hartman, Superintendent, Lederach Golf Course.

Chairman Gifford led the Board in the pledge of allegiance.

2022 Reorganization of Authority Board

Chairman Gifford entertained nominations for the position of Chairman. Mr. Janetka nominated Douglas Gifford for Chairman. Mr. O'Malley seconded the nomination. There being no other nominations the vote was called. The motion passed unanimously. Chairman Gifford asked for nominations for the position of Vice Chairman. Mr. Janetka nominated Mr. Bergman for Vice Chair. Mr. O'Malley seconded the nomination. There being no other nominations, the vote was called. The motion passed unanimously. Chairman Gifford asked for nominations for the position of Secretary. Chairman Gifford nominated Mr. Henning. Mr. Janetka seconded the nomination. There being no other nominations, the vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Janetka moved to approve the December 15, 2022, meeting minutes. Mr. O'Malley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Monthly Updates

Maintenance

Mr. Hartman reported that they have placed 46 tons of sand in the 12 bunkers throughout the course. The tree at hole 8 has been removed at the homeowner's request. Additionally, trees have been removed in the parking lot, hole 8 and hole 10. All landscape beds have been cleaned and edged. One part-time staff has been hired; he is working 20-30 hours per week. Winter maintenance has been completed on the carts and much of the other equipment. Course cleanup continues. Fairways have been mowed twice and greens once. Stu said that he will be putting together a capital plan for items that have not been addressed since prior to COVID.

Stu requested that he be able to hire someone to remove the foxes from the course as they have been causing quite a bit of damage.

Stu said that he has been talking with Doug Jones, Township Public Works Director, about taking the James house down and replacing it with a 60'x100' pole barn that could be used for

additional storage of Township and course equipment. Other items that need to be addressed include purchasing additional trees for the parking lot and the course; bunker on hole 13 needs to be repaired; and new split rail fencing is needed on holes 11 and 15.

Financials

Mr. Washleski said that January was a great month with revenue at \$58,260 versus the budget of \$16,400. There were 941 rounds played in January. He said that the labor was over budget due to the amount of play on the course. Dan said that to date, February is at \$24,000 for golf and carts. Revenues to date are \$10,000 short of meeting March revenues. Food and Beverage will also reach March revenues by the end of February.

Dan said that if the good weather holds that they will be adjusting rates upward in mid-March.

New Business

Mr. O'Malley said that he had received a quote for the drop-down screens for the pavilion area. He said that this would allow the use of the area in inclement weather. Chairman Gifford moved to approve the purchase of the screen system from Paul Construction pending the review of bidding requirements or purchasing through COSTARS. Mr. Janetka seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Czajkowski noted that the police department now has access to the security camera system at the course. The police are able to access the system in their patrol cars so they will be able to have their eyes on the situation should an alarm be triggered or if there are any other reports.

Public Comment

Tim Heabner thanked the board for getting the signs in the neighborhood fixed.

Chairman Gifford moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. Mr. O'Malley seconded the motion.

The next meeting of the Recreation Authority Board will be Thursday, April 27th, 2022, at 6:00pm and will be held at the Lederach Golf Club for the annual course tour.



Respectfully Submitted,
Pete Henning, Secretary