

MINUTES OF THE NANTON GOLF CLUB BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

May 26th, 2025

Directors Present: Rob Randle, Rick Everett, Neil Waters, Tim Collis, Bev Schlosser, Duncan Padbury and Grant Ball

Others Absent: None

Others Present: Val Robinson and Dave Mitchell

Tim Collis called the meeting to order at 5:30pm

Motion #646

Bev Schlosser moved approval of the agenda Grant Ball Seconded Carried

Minutes of the Last Meeting

Rick Everett adopted minutes. Duncan Padbury Seconded. Carried

2. Business rising from the Minutes

2.1 Val Robinson reported that our casino in June 24 and June 25 and we have enough volunteers for this event

3. Financial Report

Motion #647

Val Robinson discussed the revenue and expenses to budget for the year to date for the golf club. We have seen a big increase in the intermediate membership. All memberships are slightly up in numbers of members which is a positive trend. Val Robinson discussed that we only have one deposit on the for sale list so the 3 year program has been working well. Val Robinson discussed the total so far for the tournament facility is on budget and most of the expenses are complete.

Rick Everett moved to approve the Financial Summary Bev Schlosser Second Carried.

Bank Account Balance May 2025 - \$311,1120.43

Raffle/Casino Account Balance May 2025, - \$1050.67

GIC Account Balance - \$263,816.00

4. New and Unfinished Business

4.1 Correspondence –None

4.2 Next meeting date – Monday June 23rd, 2025 at 5:30pm at the Maintenance Shop

4.3 Dave Mitchell reported that Integrity has completed and the insulation has been blown into the roof this past week.

5. General Managers Report

5.1 Dave Mitchell presented his report. Please see attached.

5.2 Dave Mitchell discussed that the permit inspection will be complete in the fall.

5.3 Dave Mitchell discussed the project list for the golf course Tyler and himself are working on the completion to present to the board. It was asked to if a ramp on #2 could be installed for the walkers to 3.

5.3 Dave Mitchell discussed that the asphalt will be complete by the end of June or early July for the new building and in front of the proshop mostly the whole front entrance area will be repaved.

5.4 Dave Mitchell discussed that we are going to put the camera down the cart return path. Once the pavement is complete will start using the new cart return area between the new building and cart shed. Gates were discussed for this area.

5.5 Dave Mitchell reported about the 2 cart per tee time policy. Discussion

5.6 Dave Mitchell discussed that advertising is tough so we may have to revisit the way we ask for advertising on hole signs and carts etc.

5.7 Dave Mitchell discussed the septic around the buildings has been investigated and waiting for some different options as this is a higher priority to be repaired.

5.8 Dave Mitchell discussed the issue on #12 and is working continually with the town on resolutions for this matter.

Motion #648

Duncan Padbury moved the cart policy that was presented to the board of directors. Bev Schlosser seconded. Carried Policy Attached

Adjournment

Grant Ball adjourned meeting 6:36 pm



General Managers Report

May 2025

- Casino volunteer spots filled
- Club will host Calgary Golf Assoc. Interclub event.
- Jr. high classes from Nanton and High River are coming out for lessons
- We still have 3 - hole signs that are available for advertising, we lost 2 but gained 2 last month, 32 carts available. High river Ford is doing a hole sign only as well as Ashbrook.
- Continue work on projects list, would look to board for suggestions.
- Met with Mariah Projects to go over septic, will get back to me with a couple options.
- Social media: Overall followers on Facebook 1648, with 16153 views.

Building Update:

- Integrity portion of the build is complete, Insulation was blown in last week
- Electrical – PA system installed, still waiting on exterior lighting on the south side and a few minor tie-ins. Wi-Fi repeater wired in, will be able to use POS system
- HVAC – up and running
- Concrete – completed
- Paving – pushed back to mid June. Stumps on the east side have been ground and ready to be prepped for asphalt.

Clubhouse

- Overall sales are up, noticing a few trends emerging and adjusting ordering accordingly.
- Members Spring Open meal had a miscalculation as the amount of food prepared for number of players, staff quickly rectified and everyone was fed. On a positive note, we received rave reviews as far as the group meal that was served to the Ladies Interclub.

Maintenance

. The battle with irrigation has been consistent. We started with 40% of the entire courses Irrigation as being functional, we're are now up to about 95% with heads here and there that still require diagnosing and repair. #17 green experienced a fun break where a pipe is under the front left of the green. We were able to repair and reduce the damage, however it requires further attention, when possible, to level out the area of green/collar. On the front nine we have wires so shallow I've tripped on them as they have been broken and are sticking out of the ground. This makes it impossible to correctly aerate and or seed and amend the golf courses issues. We've sourced out a much more reputable contractor for potential upgrades to the system over time/have the ability to do a lot of the work in house as well.

Our aging fleet is showing. We currently have 2 triflex mowers out of operation. Both these units are our older greens units that have been converted into tee/approach units. We have parts on order for one unit, unsure on timing still. The other will require much more, and we will get on it as soon as we can. Our larger rough mowers are being babied along. Our 8800 has over 1,000,000 kms equivalent from hours on it and is showing extreme wear. There are numerous days where it can not operate. The 7500 has just been repaired, we are attempting to solve a hydraulic flow motor issue, however replacement of parts may be worth much more than the machine at this point.

On a positive note, fertilizer has been put out wall-to-wall and we're excited to see the property come to life. We are still working on getting bunkers into better shape/it will be a more consistent thing throughout the season. We will begin some project work on #4/#5 pond removing materials around the pond to expose better views of the greens as well as exposing rock. Water levels will be low until we are finished and are able to fill it. Spraying Weeds is also now a larger priority as the place is a dandelion factory.

We are attempting to amend greens. You will now see verti-cutting (slits) followed with light topdressing to reduce the "grain" on greens and promote a truer surface for ball roll. This will also help with thatch as well as speed. We also built a greens brush to help "Brush-Cut" and reduce grain as well as alter leaf blade texture to become thinner and have upright growth. Coming in early June, we will be pulling cores and heavily topdressing to begin amending out horrific thatch issue on greens. There is a lot that we are working towards, it will take time so thank you for your patience.

Tyler Milanovic
Nanton Golf Club
Superintendent

Proshop

- Things have been very busy this year when the weather is OK. When really nice, it has been nuts!! Staffing is constantly being adjusted to cut when not needed and to extend hours when needed to keep up with the demand.

- Corporate events are starting up this weekend with a very busy June on the schedule. This will definitely help in the sales and revenue department. We have met with a few event organizers in preparation. We are also hosting a large Alberta Senior Qualifier Thursday so with the course being good condition, hopefully the word will spread!

- Kinley is continuing to excel, learn more and improve in his position. He is very good at producing sales especially hard goods Through this and some fitting days hard good sales are definitely steady. Sales in the shop are right on track as we ordered similar amounts to last year and as of last Friday, we were \$2000 less inventory at wholesale vs. last season which is great! Also, the majority of our product has been received with no projected mid-season orders this year.

- Staffing is going well in golf services. The new recruits are really picking things up now and others are becoming more comfortable. We ran a full staff meeting May 10 th and went over all concerns, and will hopefully now be more on the same page. I am stressing consistency across the board which I believe is key! Loretta has stepped in to help a couple days/week until Jimmy returns from Knee surgery, so thank her if you see her!!

- The Spring open and Ladies interclub events went very well and people definitely enjoyed the new facility. The ladies took the win vs. Vulcan and Claresholm and have a nice lead going into the next couple events. The comments I had were that it was a great day, the meal was great, the course was in really good shape and they loved the new facility.

- Golf Genius is really an asset now that we have a better handle on how to run it. Events are now using the online scoring which people seem to love and it makes things so much easier for us to tally results. It also saves us a ton of printing costs for cards/rules sheets, etc.

- The Junior program has been a good success so far. The numbers are down a bit with the older kids in the intro golf section but are very positive looking for the mentorship program. This is good as kids are moving to the next step.

- Leagues have been a great success this year. The new Men's format is being very well received. We had 72 people sign up for the yearly competitions including the team events and are averaging close to 80 people weekly even with iffy weather. The other league times are pretty much full as well when weather cooperates. Everyone just really seems to be excited about the Nanton Golf Club this season which is great!

Any questions or concerns please let me know and thanks!

Mel Dies

Head Professional



Number of carts per group Policy

Purpose

In order to significantly reduce and/or limit excessive wear and tear to **both** the turf areas on the golf course **as well as the high traffic areas around the tee boxes** due to golf cart traffic, the following policy will be applied:

A. **Cart Definitions:**

- **Traditional Golf Cart (TGC)** – Designed for use on the golf course with a capacity of two riders.
- **Single Rider Cart (SRC)** – A TGC with only one rider.
- **Personal Golf Cart (PGC)** – Member owned golf cart.

B. **All Cart Usage:**

All golf tee times must pair up to two players per cart thus reducing the number of carts per foursome. **This means:**

- **All** foursomes and threesomes shall have **only two carts**.
- **All** twosomes and singles shall have one cart

Exceptions to the Cart Usage are:

- If a player is joining a foursome late, upon completing the first nine, the extra cart **MUST** be dropped off and the fourth player shall then ride on the second cart.
- If a player is leaving a foursome or twosome early, they should pair up with the other players and be dropped off at the turn.
- Golfers playing nine holes with an eighteen-hole group need to pair up and be dropped off at the turn. **It is not acceptable** to have a third cart in this example.
- Each tee time will be limited to one (1) SRC with a RED access flag (**described below**), with the intent of having no more than a maximum of three TGC carts per group driving on the turf.
- Carts being operated by non golfers **MUST** always remain on the cart paths around tees and green (**no exceptions**).
- Power carts are not allowed on tee boxes or greens **AT ANY TIME**. (Green Flag is the **only exception in regards to tee boxes**) See below.