

**Thendara Golf Club
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
May 2, 2025**

Directors Present: P. Donnelly, A. Down, T. Down, K. Engelbrecht, K. Gagan, T. Harwood, S. Hirschfield, R. Kull, B. McCarthy, P. Venetz

Special Guests: R. Chapman, J. Fortier

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by President T. Down.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: T. Down reported that copies of the October 24, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes were previously distributed via email to the Directors. Reading of the minutes was waived and a motion was made that they be accepted by T. Harwood and seconded by K. Engelbrecht. A vote was taken by the Board to accept the minutes as written and approved by all.

GREENS COMMITTEE: J. Fortier reported.

- Clean-up from tree work on holes 3 and 18 ongoing, including stump grinding
- Greens came through the winter very well
- Current course playability is good
- Nearly full staffed, will be on 5/14, all staff from last year has or will be returning
- Nick Isele is now the Assistant Superintendent which is a salaried 8 month position
- All equipment up and running, except for the fairway mower which is under repair for a hydraulic leak
- New aerator will be delivered late summer or early fall with payment due 30 days after delivery
- New greens mower purchased with 2026 delivery but with 2025 pricing, also with payment due 30 days after delivery
- Cart path repairs planned for hole 9
- Evaluation of cart path extension on hole 10 and repair on hole 11 requested by directors
- Potential future projects/plans:
 - Weekly or bi-weekly maintenance day with delayed tee times (9 am) to allow staff to complete comprehensive work without golfers on the course
 - More tree removal as so many areas have grown in changing the original hole designs
 - Restore fairways to original Donald Ross design

A motion was made by T. Harwood to accept the Greens' Report and seconded by P. Donnelly. A vote was taken to accept and carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S/FINANCIAL REPORT: K. Engelbrecht and R. Chapman reported.

- Tax returns received with a small return
- The two loans only have 6 years and 2 years remaining
- Current full member waiting list at 52
- 2025 budget reviewed

- Actual maintenance expenses less than projected as purchases were placed on a point-earning credit card but will be paid in full next month
 - Payroll expenses higher than projected due to the way calendar fell along with more maintenance hours to complete tree work clean up
- A motion was made by

P. Donnelly to accept the Treasurer's Report and seconded by S. Hirschfield. A vote was taken to accept and carried unanimously.

HOUSE COMMITTEE: No report.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: No report.

TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE: No report.

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE: No report

HANDICAP COMMITTEE: No report.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: No report.

BY LAWS COMMITTEE: No report.

SPECIAL PROJECTS COMMITTEE: B. McCarthy reported.

- The possibility of forming an independent entity that could accept tax deductible donations for use on capital improvement projects for the course and clubhouse is being explored
- The Donald Ross Society Foundation is also being explored as a funding source for course restoration

FIVE YEAR PLAN COMMITTEE/LR PLANNING: No report.

OLD BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS:

- The Opening Shindig will be Friday May 23rd 5:00 – 7:00 pm to welcome our new superintendent Josh Fortier
- All proceeds will be donated to PGA Reach, the philanthropic arm of CNY PGA

A motion was made by T. Harwood for adjournment at 7:10 PM and seconded by P. Donnelly. A vote was taken to accept and carried unanimously.

NEXT BOARD MEETING – Thursday June 12, 2025 at 6:00 pm at the clubhouse.
Notes compiled and respectfully submitted by Beth McCarthy – Secretary