

**KMGA Monthly Meeting
October 28, 2008
Minutes**

President	Vice President	Secretary	Greens Chair
Orlin Loen	Tom VanderBerg	Teresa Snook	Dave Ballingal
Board Members			
Vic Callahan	Bob Cavanaugh	Chuck Clinard	Quincy Franklin
Rick Margelis	Noel Ocen	Lee Stuart Jr.	
Director of Golf	Business Manager	Greens Superintendent	
Steve Tyler	Don Brinks	Ron Williams	
City Manager		Parks and Recreation	
Ken Collard	Thomas Skrobola	Frances Jewell	Jerome Kisscorni
City Commissioner	Clerk's Office – (Minutes only)		
Barbara Miller	Scott Borling		

- **The Minutes** of the September 16, 2008 meeting were approved.
- **Don Brinks presented the Business Manager's Report.**
 - Labor costs were cut significantly. \$630,000 was budgeted but only \$469,000 has been spent YTD.
 - Excess revenue is projected to be approximately \$61,000. Our goal going into the winter months is to be \$130,000 ahead so that we are not borrowing money for spring payroll. There is also approximately \$27,000 in insurance money that was received for storm clean up. We were able to use our own staff for a lot of the work, so this money is being held in a "rainy day" fund and could be used for spring payroll.
 - Disbursements are on target to meet budget. Sales are down, so expenses were cut drastically, i.e., the budgeted \$10,000 for projects was not used.
 - Discussion ensued regarding our goal to contribute to the City's recreation department. We are committed to giving whatever excess we have above what is needed going into the winter months. Our goal is to give \$100,000 annually. As part of the 2009 budget process, Parks and Recreation is required to submit revenue projections with the 2009 budget. KMGA should seek clarification with Tom Skrobola to come up with a realistic estimate.
 - The report was accepted.
- **Dave Ballingall presented the Greens Chairman's Report**
In addition to the attached report, the following was shared:
 - **EASTERN HILLS:** Ron Williams found used timers for our hydraulic irrigation system. This saved the course a tremendous amount of money.
 - **RED ARROW:** A drunk driver ran over a couple sections of fencing. Insurance claims are in progress.

- **Steve Tyler presented the Golf Director's Report.**
 - **Beer and Wine License.** The license came back to Kalamazoo due to a technicality in wording. It is now in Lansing and will be assigned an inspector. Construction of the new patio began today. Upon its completion, renovations will begin inside.
 - **Rates** – Single course memberships will be offered again in 2009. Incentive for buying an early membership – 2 guest passes with cart.
 - **Milham Park was ranked #1 for the SW Michigan Reader's Choice Award** Yarrow, Thornapple Creek, Angel's Crossing and Kalamazoo Country Club followed in that order.
 - Steve is planning a **50th Anniversary party at Eastern Hills.** May 29 the actual anniversary date.

- **New Business**
 - Dave Ballingall gave his resignation from the Board. After countless hours of dedicated work, the Board wishes him the best as he enjoys his winter months in Florida and simply plays our courses in the summer instead of "working" every time he hits the links! Thank you, Dave! You will be missed!

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Teresa L. Snook
KMGA Secretary