

KALAMAZOO MUNICIPAL GOLF ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING
November 15th, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT

Vice President:	Mike Dunphey
Secretary:	John D. Bradshaw
Board Members:	Larry Braithwaite, Ruthie Walker
Dir. Parks and Recreation	Sean Fletcher

MEMBERS ABSENT:

President	Steve Feffer
Economic Development:	Curt Wisor
	Jerome Kisscorni

STAFF PRESENT

Director of Golf	Dean Marks
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Approved minutes are forwarded to: Shelby Moss for Scott Borling, City Clerk

The meeting was called to order at 12:05 at Milham Park Golf Club. Minutes of the October 18th 2018 meeting were approved

1. Director of Golf Report:

- Dean submitted a written report.
- Red Arrow and Eastern are now closed. After a good September, October has been and November looks to be, awful.
- Overall revenue for the year looks to be \$35K below budget---although expenses are in line with budget. Some notable expenses are \$7K increase in utilities because of running pumps at Eastern, and \$10K increase in fuel costs for extra mowing because of the rain. It has been one of the wettest years in Michigan history.
- Operational profit is projected to be \$175K with DMG losing \$75K.
- Mailing going out regarding the Annual meeting and the elections. Ruthie Walker, Mike Dunphey, and Jack Versau II are running.
- There was discussion about Dean's travels to Pinehurst and the viewing of the US Kids Golf facility at Longleaf Country Club. It is a 6 hole short course with extra putting greens and an indoor facility. It is supported by the steady junior program, which has gone from zero to 450 in three years. Dean made good contacts there.
- Water levels at Eastern continue to rise. The dredging has raised the fairway about 2 feet, but it is not enough. There was discussion about continuing on with that at a cost of \$8k per day for 8 inches of fairway per day. There would also need to be another \$5k for 200 ton of crushed concrete for a road during the process.
- There was discussion about the pumps--it has been determined that it would cost as much to repair the 40 year old pumps as to buy new ones.--and that cost may be \$100k for all that is needed.
- **Dean will Advise by Annual Meeting.**

2. Events.

- No events to report, **except the Annual Meeting on December 6th at 5:30**

3. Greens Report: No Greens update.

4. Eastern Hills Update:

- There was a lengthy discussion about the flooding at EHGC, as detailed above. It has gotten worse. **Dean will advise by Annual Meeting.**
- There were several options discussed but there has been no decisions made.
- Sean outlined the Admin Meeting which Curt attended.
- It was determined at the meeting that Richland will not change the Zoning of Eastern Hills. Hence, Triple A's bid will lapse.
- Additionally, as to the runners, it was determined that Golf needed to be kept at Eastern Hills, and therefore the Runners Group needed to make an offer for a Lease—as opposed to making a \$1M offer.
- **The question was how to approach them on the issue and it was determined the KMGAs need do nothing on this issue as Sean and the City would coordinate with Dean.**

5 Old Business

- None

6. New Business:

- Larry asked if we can have the flags changed so that there were no “Blue/Black” flags. Dean will check.

6. Red Arrow Golf Course/Outing:

- Mike asked if the Red Arrow ‘Outing ‘ letters have been sent out---Dean Answered ‘yes’.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 PM

Respectfully submitted by

John D. Bradshaw
Secretary