## HERONS GLEN MEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

## **DECEMBER 13, 2022**

In the absence of President Tom Braunscheidel, the meeting was called to order at 1:07pm by Jack Birecree. Jack explained that he was asked to chair the meeting while Tom attended to some happy family business.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the November 2022 general membership minutes.

Attendees were reminded that the 50/50 raffle was closing and all funds go to the MGA directly to defray Association costs.

Although all were not present, Bob Lemere acknowledged all the new members and asked those in attendance to rise, and state from whence they hail.

Our guest speakers, Tom Kortanek, Director of Grounds, and Matthew Bourne, Golf Course Superintendent were introduced. Tim took the floor and said that about 75% of damages incurred from Hurricane Ian have been addressed. He went on to state that 100% of any issues involving golfer safety have been handled. The "nursery green" is coming along nicely and will begin providing plugs shortly. Matthew Bourne took the mic and told us of his past experiences and that he was happy to be on Tim's team.

Our golf course designer, Ron Garl was in attendance and stated that Ian will eventually cost us between 200 and 250 lost trees. The vast majority of those were pine trees, planted initially by the developer because they are cheap to use. Replacements, going forward will be of a palm variety.

It was recognized that HGRD Board of Supervisors, lead by members Peter Overs and Jayne Schwartz have been working extremely hard with FEMA to try and see if there might be any relief available to help mitigate cost for all golf course repairs. We thank them for their efforts.

During it's November operations the "Adopt-A-Hole" program repaired almost 600 ball marks and 4500 fairway divots. A great job was acknowledged.

## **UPCOMING BIG EVENTS:**

Member/Guest – February 6 & 7, 2023

Hearts and Homes for Veteran Charity event – March 21, 2023 (volunteers to enhance the promotion of this event were solicited)

MGA Championship (match play) – starts February 14 through March 11, 2023

Couples Tournament – April 4 & 5, 2023

Shootout Sunday – April 23, 2023 (qualifying rounds continue today, 12-13-22 and March 28, 2023 and April 11, 2023

Upcoming in the Spring of 2023, the election of the HGMGA President, Vice-President, and Treasurer will be held. As required by HGMGA bylaws, a Nominations Committee will be formed to solicit and accept nominations for those positions. Any HGMGA member in good standing, and with the written endorsement of five (5) members of the Association may place themselves in the running for a position. HGMGA Bylaws – Article VIII/Section 3(b).

The MGA also needs a volunteer to take over as our website manager and Membership Committee Chairman. The Membership Committee Chair is a voting member of the HGMGA Board.

Results of today's competition were presented by PGA Pro, Bruce Harris. Bruce presented his trusted Assistant Pro, Mike Loppnow, with a gift certificate for a new driver as a thank you for his ongoing efforts.

The 50/50 drawing was done with Russell Long selected as the winner. Mr. Long's share was about \$115!

With no further business, a motion was made, seconded and passed to adjourn. Adjournment took place at 1:59pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Lyons, Secretary,

Herons Glen Men's Golf Association