

Hopedale Country Club

Board of Director's Meeting Minutes

Date 7/7/2025

6:30pm Club House

Call to order: 6:30pm

Officers:

President Don Stewardson
Vice President: Bob Manning
Treasurer: Steve Haynes
Financial Secretary: Tony Farrell
Recording Secretary: Jim Duffy

Board Of Directors:

John Mazzaelli	Ed Crivello
Joe Soares	Fran Coffey
Zach Tarolli absent	John Tammaro
Dave Knipe	Ryan Wagner - absent
Larry Embree	Jesse Carbeau

Reading of previous Minutes: Approved.

REPORT OF OFFICERS:

Presidents Report - Two junior members tee time booking privileges under consideration of suspension due to booking tee times outside of allowable tee times for their membership type. Opening tee sheet for 9 holes ONLY for those members that want to tee off at 6:30am on weekends. Working with Club counsel to get a new Food Manager agreement ready.

Treasurers' report – Revenue is keeping pace. Greens Fees and Cart revenue are up. Increase in initiation fees. Irrigation funding has been approved from Rockland Trust and PNC Bank. Interest rates will be about 7%. Report accepted.

Financial Secretary's Report – 28 ACH payors will close out 8/15. Outstanding dues = \$11,570 for those members not on an approved payment plan. There is no waitlist for membership. Motion was made and passed 10-2 to offer an end of year promotion where new members pay only initiation fee for 2026 membership but can play the remainder of 2025 season. Report Accepted.

Recording Secretary report – Food permit application delivered to Hopedale BOH on 6/30. Report accepted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES:

1. **Grounds and Greens/Carts** – Motion made for a local ROOT RULE and passed 10-2. “Nearest place of relief if ball is on/near a root. Rule applies to ball only, not the players stance. Opponent or playing partner(s) need to be notified”
Small tine – water pik treatment of greens
Down one green crew staff – resigned due to personal reasons
Large chunk of soil/green impacted on #4 green on Saturday 7/5.
Carts need to stay away from greens
Winterberry scheduling walk-thru.
Aeration of fairways soon.
Sand Trap machine is no longer working. Report accepted.
2. **House Committee** – Siding on clubhouse fixed on 7/8. Meeting with Club Counsel on F/B manager contract. Social media has improved.
3. **Finance** – will meet in July to work on 2026 budget.
4. **Tournament** – Summer 4-ball and Firecracker Open were successful. Minus 18(-18) was 4 Ball winner and Stableford format for Firecracker was well received. Club Championship qualifier will be on Saturday July 19th, with 18 holes being the qualifier. Member/Guest is one day on August 9th. Report accepted.
5. **Handicap** – no issues to report – report accepted.
6. **Leagues** – League dinners are starting to be booked. Report accepted.
7. **Special Projects**

Unfinished Business:

New Business : Question was raised on the status of CAP Patrol monies collected from last years tournaments. Bob Manning to contact previous Tournament chairperson.

Good of the Club

Next Meeting – August 11th at 6:30pm.

Adjournment 8pm