

## Hopedale Country Club

### Board of Director's Meeting Minutes

#### **Officers:**

**President:** Don Stewardson  
**Vice President:** Todd Boldy  
**Treasurer:** Joe Tammaro  
**Financial Secretary:** Tony Farrell  
**Recording Secretary:** Jim Duffy

#### **Board Of Directors:**

Jesse Carbeau	Larry Embree - <i>absent</i>
Eric Carlson	Dave Knipe - <i>absent</i>
Tony Chiarelli	Bob Manning
Fran Coffey	John Mazzaelli
Ed Crivello	Zack Tarolli

**Reading of previous Minutes: Approved.**

#### **REPORT OF OFFICERS:**

**President's Report** - Fence on 6<sup>th</sup> hole is leaning towards road. Meeting with Hopedale Road Commissioners went well. Memo issued for repairs required at 6<sup>th</sup> hole. Cost of fence repair from Mr. Fence = \$5,487. Cost of police detail was brought up. From Police 8hr detail required by Police Union. Lt. Lima says we are private and therefore we have the 8hr minimum. If Highway paid the bill, then they can get 4hr detail. Detail is 8hrs+10% town fee.

- Roof on Maintenance Building – Master Roof here this Thursday 12/18, to replace roof on building closest to Mill St. (~\$8,500 cost)
- Irrigation project underway, going well.
  - *See Grounds Report below for additional information.*
- Dave Rice will be returning to work as an hourly employee starting 1/5/26.
- Christmas Party – very well received, good number of kids attended.
- Scott Savage (Hopedale Selectboard Chairman) contacted Mr. Stewardson about re-engaging in discussion concerning land above hole #2.

**Treasurer's Report** – Steve Haynes continuing as bookkeep and working well with Joe Tammaro. Joe Tamarro needs Rockland Trust access. QuickBooks ONLINE was deployed. Overall finances in good condition. Report accepted

**Financial Secretary's Report** – Membership is currently 309. Club will lose 3 Senior Members. 2026 dues have been sent out. Small amount of 2025 initiation fees to still be collected. Junior membership (61 currently) will be capped at 70 Juniors, per vote of BOD that passed 12-0. Report Accepted.

**REPORT OF COMMITTEES:**

1. **Grounds and Greens/Carts** – Irrigation Update Moving along well with the main line installation. Additional equipment to be delivered next week. Today they were on the 8<sup>th</sup> Hole, expect to be done on 9<sup>th</sup> Hole this week then move over to 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> Holes next week. After the main lines are in the ground they will start on the sprinkler heads around the greens. We have a quote for \$10K to remove all the existing heads. The project manager said it was a good price. We either pay the bill and have Winterberry do the work or HCC maintenance crew will have to do the work. Motion was made and passed 10-0 to have Winterberry do this work for the \$10,000 amount.
2. **House Committee** – Basement boiler required new sensor and new board, seems to be working well. Thursday business/revenue is way off, clubhouse will close on Thursdays for winter. Looking at ways to draw more foot traffic (bands, acoustic night, trivia, etc.) Committee met with Mr. Sanchioni regarding transition. Suggestion was made to have an updated Winter Menu with possible less items available. Report accepted.
3. **Golf Shop/Juniors** – Plan is to certify Juniors on golf etiquette (ball marks, raking sand traps, etc.) Junior members have a different bag tag color to identify them as 2026 Jr. members. Report accepted.
4. **Tee Signs** – Looking to update all the Tee Box signs and add other signs. More signs could bring in additional revenue. Looking into sponsorships on golf carts. Report accepted.
5. **Tournaments** – Committee meeting soon to finalize schedule and dates. Report accepted.
6. **Handicap** –
7. **Leagues** –
8. **Special Projects** –
9. **Marketing & Social Media** – Committee to meet following holidays. Marketing for NFL playoffs, NCAA playoffs, events, specials, etc.

**Unfinished Business:**

**New Business**

**Good of the Club**

**Next Meeting – January 13<sup>th</sup> – 6:00pm**

**Adjournment – 7:50pm**