

**Clearview Seniors Golf Club Board of Governors
Minutes of the Meeting held August 29, 2023.**

• **Attendance:**

Larry Feilich, Joe Bass, Paul Coburn, Tom Doherty, Steve Mendelsohn, Mike Pirone, Peter Modifica, Rudy Popolizio, Wayne Pokstis, Anthony Rivera, Sal Tobacco, Paul Vassallo, Stu Wolf, Joe Chu, Alan Schultheiss, Lido Tenaglia, Leroy Wade

Former Presidents: George Diamond, Irwin Katz, Joe Valenza, John Yacovone

Excused: Tom Giudice

Guest: Jay Priven

Call to order:

George Diamond, called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM at Clearview Park Golf Course. The meeting began with the Board members reciting “The Pledge of Allegiance”; and Mr. Feilich requested a moment of silence to honor all past deceased members, and those members that are ill.

President’s opening remarks:

Mr. Feilich provided an agenda for the meeting, outlining the topics he wished to discuss. He asked Tom Doherty to review the minutes of the last meeting.

Minutes:

Tom Doherty highlighted the important measures from the July 25th meeting. Mr. Katz moved to accept the Minutes, Mr. Diamond seconded the motion, and the vote passed unanimously.

Treasurer Report:

Mr. Coburn stated that the current bank balance is \$10,646.32. Mr. Coburn explained this balance is about \$350 less than last reported, due to pay-outs for closest to the pin and birdies.

Committee Reports,

Outtings:

Mr. Popolizio reported on the Labor Day Outing, scheduled for September. He reported that he was in contact with North Shore Towers, but there were several questions that needed to be answered. The Towers pricing was \$100 for golf only. It will depend on how many members wanted to play, there were options at the Towers. It was determined that an email be sent to the membership, as well as a questionnaire at our sign-in desk to establish how many members wish to attend.

Mr. Diamond asked if there was enough time to complete the preparations for a September outing. The Board voted and approved moving the outing to October. Mr. Popolizio was asked to inquire about dates in October at North Shore Towers.

Mr. Popolizio reported on the June 2024 Outing. He and his committee members, Mr. Coburn and Mr. Priven, reported that they have been contacting various public and private courses in our area. All agreed they were having difficulty finding courses that respond to requests pertaining to outings. They also reported some private courses are closed on Mondays. Mr. Popolizio stated June 3rd at North Shore Towers is being held for us. Mr. Diamond suggested our efforts concentrate on local public courses such as, Douglaston and Forest Park as well as North Shore Towers.

Tournaments:

Mr. Wolf reported on the Two Man Labor Day Tournament to be held September 6th. He stated that before the rules and format could be established, the Board needed to determine if there would be a handicap system used to pair teams. After much discussion, it was established that there would be a handicap system used. There will be 5 flights with one team prize of \$50 for each flight. The tournament committee will establish the teams, rules, and format.

Mr. Wolf raised an issue regarding the eligibility of some of the winners in the Championship Tournament. Mr. Yacavone asked that the grievance be submitted in writing to the Grievance Committee.

Old Business:

Mr. Yacavone questioned how committees were formed. Mr. Feilich explained that a committee head was appointed by the president. The committee head then selected the committee members. Mr. Yacavone stated that due to possible conflict of interest, Grievance committee members should not be on other committees.

Regarding the condition of the golf course, it was suggested that if the management of Clearview is not responding to complaints, we should reach out to the city.

New Business:

Regarding handicaps, Mr. Chu spoke in support of determining if the club is a "Social club that plays golf" or a "Golf Club that is social". The Board discussed the issue. There was no clear direction.

Mr. Modifica suggested having a minimum requirement for running for the office of Club President. He suggested a minimum of 4 years membership that included 2 years on the board. The Board unanimously agreed to bring this proposal to the full membership.

Mr. Wolf questioned how flights were determined, and how many flights there would be in the 2024 season. It was explained that the 2023 flights were not established as they have been in the past. The Board agreed that next year there would be four flights A, B, C and Seniors following the 2022 format.

Mr. Rivera requested an updated set of rules be printed and posted on the website.

Mr. Feilich provided a Calander of Events for 2024. The board discussed the dates with some comments.

Mr. Tobacco reported on the Awards Dinner. The dinner will be held at Verdi's 10/18/23 at 1:00 PM. The menu will be the same as last year at \$75 per person and a guarantee of 55 people, the same as last year. The dinner will follow an 8:00 shotgun start. For table seating see Mr. Tobacco. There was an option to add filet mignon to the menu for an additional \$15 per person. It was not approved. After the report was completed, Mr. Leroy Wade informed the Board that 10/18/23 was his birthday and he thanked them for having a party for him.

Adjourn:

There was a motion to adjourn, and the motion passed, and the meeting was adjourned at 11:55 AM.