

**VILLAGE OF LAKEWOOD  
REDTAIL GOLF CLUB DEPARTMENT MEETING  
DECEMBER 14, 2021**

The Village of Lakewood RedTail Golf Club Department Meeting was held in person at Crosspoint Lutheran Church, 8505 RedTail Drive along with Zoom viewing. It was called to order at 6:03 p.m. by President Stavropoulos. Present at Crosspoint Lutheran Church were Trustees Augustine, Babischkin, Barron, Berman, Fischer, and Runge. Also present were Village Manager Jean Heckman, Village Attorney Scott Puma, Village Clerk Jeanette LoBosco, Chief of Police Mike Roth, Director of Public Works Gary Zickuhr, RedTail Golf Club Manager Kenny Goodwin, and many members of the public.

**PRESIDENT'S OPENING REMARKS:** President Stavropoulos welcomed those present. He extended thanks to Crosspoint Church for their hospitality. In addition, he recognized Resident Liaison Liz Delzell and RedTail Golf Club Manager Kenny Goodwin for their hard work in preparing the presentation.

**INTRODUCTION BY LIZ DELZELL, RESIDENT LIAISON:** Liz as well thanked those present for the last presentation of Department Meetings. She stated one unique fact about the Village is that it owns RedTail Golf Club.

**POWER POINT PRESENTATION BY KENNY GOODWIN, REDTAIL GOLF CLUB MANAGER:** Golf Club Manager Goodwin recognized the past two phenomenal years of success of RedTail would not have been possible if it had not been for the staff members and support from the Village Board.

Pro Shop & Golf Operations:

- 2020 hosted 4 leagues; 2021 hosted 8 leagues; 2022 has 11 leagues scheduled to date
- 94 private golf events used the facilities in 2021
- 3 area high schools use the course for practice and tournaments
- Pro Shop staff are trained in all areas of the clubhouse

Food & Beverage:

- 36 non-golf events took place
- Eight staff members are certified in food safety; industry requires one
- Hawk's Nest Pub has become a destination bar attracting non-golf individuals

Golf Course/Maintenance:

- Two sandtraps converted to grass bunkers; reducing labor
- Sandtraps around greens were edged
- Anticipated for 2022 are sandtrap projects to be completed to six holes; Holes 5, 6, 8, 15, 16, and 18. Also, cart path drainage repair and installation of crushed rock.
- Green Complex receives the most compliments
- Golf cart lease is up 2022
- Future need to replace two mowers and beverage cart

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Manager Goodwin continued his presentation highlighting the dilapidated conditions of the Maintenance Facility/Barn and Clubhouse. When built over 30 years ago, the original intention for the Clubhouse structure was estimated to have an expectancy of 4 – 5 years usage and a useful expectancy to be 10 – 15 years.

Although much work both structurally and cosmetically needs to be addressed, RedTail Golf Club continues to return a profit. Manager Goodwin and staff have aspirations in taking RedTail “to the next level” and creating a family destination attraction. He stated several large group outings have catered in their food needs; the potential

A proposal for an increase to golf rates will be addressed at the upcoming Board Meeting, with intentions in creating a five-year plan. The plan will address renovations to the Clubhouse and Maintenance Facility, updating the irrigation system, repairs to bridges, and addition of a mechanic for the maintenance crew.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Comments ranged from questions about the condition of the facility, possible funding for enhancement, and support for the RedTail team and course.

Resident Lonnie Jeschke is a member of a golf club that plays the course often. He encourages continued support in keeping RedTail successful.

Resident Joe Lyons encouraged a plan to be in place to create funding for renovations and continued maintenance of the facility and course.

Manager Goodwin also introduced a new staff member that will be seen on the course next season; Nugget is a bernedoodle that will be in charge of keeping the geese off the course!

The meeting adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
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Jeanette LoBosco  
Village Clerk

Dated: January 11, 2022