## ALNMOUTH VILLAGE GOLF CLUB

***MINUTES OF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING***

***HELD IN THE CLUB HOUSE ON TUESDAY 25TH OCTOBER 2022***

***Present:*** Ian Simpson, John Graham, Chris Payne, Jamie Jobson, Eleanor Morgan, Clive Wilson, Kathleen Scott. MJ Campbell, Steve Yeadon.

**Apologies:**  Allan Wall, Colin Reid. Adam Scott, Robbie Willis.

The chairman opened the meeting at 18.30 and ran through the minutes of the last meeting

**Finance:**

1. John Graham gave an over-view of the accounts. Balance at the end of September £158,401.60 Please see attached Profit and loss Report for a full breakdown.

A Few points to note: we were expecting a £12,700 VAT bill this quarter and one of the greens cutter needed repair, estimated cost £3K +

1. John Graham ran through a few figures for year to date: (9 months)
2. Income from Green fees: £58.000
3. Bar takings: £115,000
4. Food takings: £83,000
5. Ian Simpson agreed to look into the card machine transaction fees, with a view of finding a cheaper deal.

**House:**

1. Emelia the bar manager, had requested the committee investigate replacing the club’s coffee machine. She presented 3 written quotes for the committee to consider. Her main concern was that the existing machine was not equipped to take card payments, only cash and that the club was losing quite a lot of sales for this reason. The committee agreed to look at this and report back at the next meeting.
2. The committee agreed to closing the bar to the public on Wednesday 14t December from 1.30pm while the ladies had their end of season dinner.
3. Bar opening times: it was agreed to keep the bar open until 8pm on Fridays through November as a trial period. The rest of the week the bar would shut at 4pm from October 31st
4. Eleanor morgan asked if we could investigate adding tonic water to our soft drinks on pump. Ian Simpson to talk to Emelia.
5. Ian Simpson and Chris Payne had a site meeting with the Burgage Holders on 1st October to discuss (a) extending the car park, (b) erecting a new memorial bench for Chris Fettis on the 7th Tee, (c) cutting back the bushes to give a better line of sight along the path from the 5th tee (d) the rabbit problem on the course. The outcome: (a) they would not grant permission for the requested car park extension. AVGC requested another site visit to look at an alternative. (b) The BH agreed to us erecting a memorial bench at the 7th Tee for Chris Fettis. (c) some cutting back was agreed but a further site visit was requested by AVGC to clarify exactly what. (d) the BH requested the H&S accident report for the accident caused by rabbit holes before agreeing to any plan of action. Secretary to forward a copy to Gerry McBride (BH Chairman).
6. Ian Simpson informed the committee that the men’s toilet refurbishments were planned to start on Monday 31st October and would last 3-4 weeks.

**Greens:**

1. The 3rd irrigation quote had not yet been received. John Graham put forward of an idea, after speaking to member Andrew Emerson, that perhaps the current irrigation system could be added to inhouse as this had been done at Dunstanburgh Golf Club. Ian Simpson agreed to pursue this idea and would speak to Andrew and contact Dunstanburgh and report back at the next meeting.

**Any other business:**

1. Eleanor Morgan asked that the trophy cleaning this year, prior to presidents’ night, is not left entirely to the ladies. It was agreed that an email would be circulated asking for volunteers. Eleanor Morgan to set a date for this and the secretary to email members.
2. Jamie Jobson asked if it would be possible to move the club championships to June/July when he thought the course would be playing at it best. The committee agreed to consider this for next year
3. Clive Wilson informed the committee that Robbie Willis had received a complaint about flies in the clubhouse where people were eating. Ian Simpson to ask the bar manager to monitor this and let us know if she thinks we have a problem.
4. Steve Yeadon put forward the idea of using rocket cottage as a club managers accommodation and thus subsequently reducing any wage paid accordingly. The committee did not agree that taking HF holiday staff out of the accommodation was a good financial proposition and rejected the idea.
5. Steve Yeadon informed the committee that rocket cottage needed some refurbishment and agreed to inspect the property and action any work as needed.
6. Ian Simpson informed the committee that a new larger fryer had been purchased for the kitchen. This allows Simon to make fish and chips in quantities where he can serve to the public. It was suggested that in the summer, we make Fridays a Fish & Chip Day and do takeaways for the public. The committee agreed this might prove extremely popular.
7. Eleanor Morgan told the committee that she had spoken to Jamie Saunders about converting the bottom of the trophy cabinet into a cupboard, he said he would do it by the following Saturday, but he has not yet done this. She also informed the committee that Henry Henderson had noticed a bow in the gents locker room, outer wall and she had asked Stephen Hails to look at this and report back

The meeting was closed at 19.42 *Date and Time of Next Meeting: 6.30PM Tuesday 29th November 2022*

*CHAIR.........*............................................................ DATE...................................