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# 2023 Annual Meeting Notes

November 16, 2023

Prior to the meeting, members who could not attend the meeting were provided with a form they could use to vote online. 5 members voted in this manner.

**Call to Order:** Susan Nuttall called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm,

**Appreciation:** Susan thanked the members who were instrumental in the success of our projects this year.

**Watering Team:** Lezlie Pennington, Becky Turner, Mike Ferraro, Joe Stayton

**Tournament Team:** Dannielle Sandige, Lezlie Pennington, Tommy Tipton, Jimmy Johnson, Paul Gomez

All who participated in the Divot Repair Day & other Maintenance Days

**Tournament Results:** 29 teams, Revenue of \$3420, many positive comments

**Treasurer Report:** Don Deal, current balance \$8165,

- The bank reimbursed us for a \$10 charge for 'undeliverable mail'. Don addressed the issue with the bank.
- We will be getting a Debit Card to make online ordering easier. Susan Nuttall will secure the Debit Card.
- Don will sign on to the account monthly to get the statement. This will ensure the online account remains active.

## Election of Officers:

### Proposed Officers

Chair: Susan Nuttall

Vice Chair: Tommy Tipton

Secretary: Danielle Sandidge

Treasurer: Don Deal

John Nuttall moved the slate of officers be accepted, Steve Vetter seconded the motion, motion approved

**Upcoming Event:** Holiday Party (mid December)- info to come, Susan will work with Jimmy and Scott to secure the date.

## General Approach to Projects:

Susan outlined the general approach to projects in the coming year.

- Continue with popular events (Divot Repair Day, Tournament, Holiday Celebration)
- Reduce number of gardening projects that require routine maintenance, shift to a no maintenance approach
- Items that are outside of the scope of the Operations and Golf Department Budgets
- Focus on larger projects that benefit the golfers and/or the staff

## The proposed project list was reviewed.

Basics & Maintenance, Hitting Net replacement & Hitting Bay refresh, Current On Course (#2, #7, #5 planting beds), Maintenance Drone, Maintenance Break Room Tables & Chairs, Maintenance Break Room update Kitchen area, Metfield Flag for Clubhouse.

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With the current estimates, this will leave about \$1470 of which \$1000 is set aside for contingency for the above projects.

Becky Tipton moved that we accept the Project List, John Nuttall seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

**Closing Remarks:**

Ruther Hatcher thanked the group for their efforts. She relayed that the other groups in the village look to the Friends of Dogwood for ideas.

Jimmy Johnson thanked the group for the help to the staff and the course.

**Adjourn :** The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 pm.

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Reference for Projects noted below.

2023-2024 Friends of Dogwood and Brittany  
Potential Projects & Activities

Cost Summary of Suggested Projects

Current Balance - \$8155, need \$500 to carry over for Tournament, Open to spend - \$7655

**Host an 18 hole fundraising Tournament on Labor Day, 2024 - estimated profit - \$3,000 - \$3,500.**

<b><i>Project(s)</i></b> <b><i>(approved)</i></b>	<b><i>Description</i></b>	<b><i>Estimated</i></b> <b><i>Cost</i></b>
Basics & Maintenance	Divot Repair Day, Work Days, Celebrations,	750
Hitting Net replacement & Hitting Bay refresh	Hitting Net Replacement, replace mulch with gravel base (125 cubic ft)	2,000
Current On Course (#2, #7, #5 planting beds)	Change planting scheme on #2 and #7 to move to a more maintenance free design	335
Maintenance Staff Request	Drone to be able to better evaluate the course	800
Maintenance Break Room	Tables, Chairs,	2,940
Maintenance Break Room	Kitchen area update	1,470
Metfield Flag for Clubhouse	Buy a new flag	200
	<b><i>Total of above</i></b>	<b><i>6,695</i></b>
New On Course Projects	Trees by Hole #8/#9	800-2400
Additional Seating by Clubhouse	Purchase additional seating	TBD

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Install a flag pole near the clubhouse	Purchase and install a flagpole and flag	TBD
Assist with garden to the left of #16	Clear, clean up	TBD, minimal

Basics & Maintenance - Total Cost ~ \$750

- Divot Repair Day & Social
  - Mid April on Maintenance Day, FOD provides lunch, Cost ~\$200
- Holiday Celebration
  - Mid December, Pot Luck - FOD provides misc items & meat dish, Cost ~\$150
- Misc Workdays - refreshments after work, Cost ~\$200
- Gardening Supplies - mulch, weed barrier, etc., Cost ~\$200

Hitting Net Refresh - Cost \$2000

- The nets are showing considerable wear. They have lasted 5 years. It is time to replace them.
- 3 cage nets with baffle + 1 side panel, repaint posts, new hangers for targets
- Replace dirt/mulch with gravel base/pea gravel for less maintenance and cleaner look
- Do work prior to golf season in 2024
- Cost
  - Nets, including tax and shipping ~\$1100
  - Rock ~4 cubic yards. ~ \$900

On Course Projects for current areas - Total cost \$335

1. #2 Green Area ~\$100
  - a. Goal - shift to no/minimal maintenance plants
  - b. Shift all remaining azaleas into shady area on the north side near cart path, replace with Pampas grass that is currently placed near drain ( ~8 plants). Move them in line with other grasses in the sun.
  - c. Azaleas may need some watering in June - August for one year.
  - d. Seasonal bushwacking behind grasses (Maintenance)
  - e. Do work in as soon as soil unfreezes in Spring
  - f. Cost ~\$100 for fertilizer and mulch for new replanted items
2. #5 Planting Bed ~ Cost \$35
  - a. Annually trim and apply mulch
    - i. Trimming & weed whacking 3 times during the year
    - ii. 10 bags of mulch @3.50 = \$35
3. #7 Green Area ~\$0-\$200
  - a. Goal - reduce size of plantings, change to low maintenance plants, reduce grass growing in planting area
  - b. Reduce size of planting area and use pampas grass as dividing barrier
    - i. Mark out area 6-8' wide at front of planting area, Kill the grass in this area
    - ii. Dig up daffodils and canna lily bulbs that are currently further back and replant. Dig up 1 pampas grass and 1 other bush and relocate ~3' from wall
    - iii. Supplement with additional midsize pampas grass across the area

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- iv. Place landscape fabric and mulch between the bulbs and the pampas grass. Maintenance will mow the area behind the grass
- v. Cost ~\$200 for bulbs and mulch, grass can be harvested from the course or donation

## New Proposals

### New Staff Maintenance Request Proposals

1. Drone - Cost \$800
  - a. Use to get a better view of areas, especially after floods, drainage or other issues
2. Break Area - Tables and Chairs \$2940  
The team has been trying to get funding for a number of years to get funding for an upgrade to the break area, to no avail.. Most of the furniture is from when the course was first built (and probably hand me downs then).
  - 14 chairs (\$130+tax) - \$2090
  - 2 72" round tables - \$850
3. Break Area - Kitchen Setup & Tankless Hot Water \$1470
  - Stainless steel kitchen setup tankless hot water - \$1070
  - Another option is some cabinets and a long counter at about the same price
  - Misc. Items \$400

### #8 /9 Tree Replacement \$800 - \$2400

- a. Donate funds for large trees to replace some that were taken down due to disease
  - b. \$800 each for trees of significant size
  - c. Select varieties that provide seasonal color
2. Club House - purchase additional outdoor seating (TBD)
3. New Flag for Clubhouse - \$200

Install a flag pole near the clubhouse

### Assistance with #16 garden left of cart path

Mary Wareham would like some assistance with the garden area on the left side of the cart path on #16. There shouldn't be a cost for this. We would need to get a team together. (Mary noted that she no longer needs assistance).