



**Huron Pines Golf & Country Club Regular Board Meeting Minutes
June 23, 2025, 7 p.m.
Town of Blind River Council Chambers**

Directors: Ryan Hagger, Joanne Falk, Gerard Rainville, Jennifer Posteraro, Jim Dunbar, Mary Shamas

Regrets: T. Davis, C. Horton, T. Shamas

Guests: Peter Stos, Superintendent; Kevin Cain, General Manager

- 1) Call to Order:
 - a) The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.
 - b) No conflicts of interest were declared.
 - c) Agenda Review: the agenda was accepted as presented.
- 2) Review & Confirmation of Minutes:
 - a) Confirmation of Minutes from April 28th, May 5th and May 26th:

RESOLUTION 20250623-01 TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES FROM THE APRIL 28, 2025 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

**MOVED BY: J. POSTERARO
SECONDED BY: M. SHAMAS**

“THAT the Huron Pines Golf & Country Club (HPGCC) Board confirm the minutes from the April 28, 2025 regular board meeting as presented”

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 20250623-02 TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES FROM THE MAY 5, 2025 SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

**MOVED BY: J. DUNBAR
SECONDED BY: G. RAINVILLE**

“THAT the HPGCC Board confirm the minutes from the May 5, 2025 special board meeting as presented”

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 20250623-03 TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES FROM THE MAY 26, 2025 SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

MOVED BY: M. SHAMAS

SECONDED BY: J. POSTERARO

“THAT the HPGCC Board confirm the minutes from the May 26, 2025 special board meeting as presented”

CARRIED

b) Business Arising:

- i) Approval of the new water pump was given by town council, so it may now be purchased.
- ii) The Hudson Energy proposal, previously discussed, was not pursued.

3) Treasurer’s Report: The Treasurer’s report was filed for Audit.

Comments: Green fees are down somewhat from the previous year, but the course opened later than last season, and there has been some bad weather.

4) Superintendent’s Report:

- a) Turfgrass Management: The course is in reasonable shape. Aerification holes are finally filling in. Soil temperature has hit the 15-degree mark.
- b) Management Planning:
 - i) All staff have been hired.
 - ii) Golf course has been completely fertilized.
 - iii) Greens have been top dressed so finally able to start getting some green speed.
- c) Administration: Annual indoctrination has been completed at Cameco and work has begun.
- d) There was an unexpected issue with the contract at Cameco, as one of the new requirements is that contractors are required to be members of ISNetwork. This cost will be accounted for in future contracts.
- e) Irrigation Management:
 - i) Irrigation system was charged and no breaks were found.
 - ii) Many sprinklers needed to be replaced, which constituted the bulk of irrigation costs to date.
 - iii) There were 2 leaks in the last week but they were not severe.
 - iv) The ground is very wet between #6 green and #7 tee as a consequence of irrigation. Drainage will be addressed.
 - v) New computer and irrigation software installed. There is a fairly steep learning curve as new software is very different. The company is good about offering support.
- f) Environmental Management: No update.
- g) Construction and Renovation: Pricing for a new pump motor has come in from 3 sources, ranging from \$10,430 - \$11,847. As mentioned, council agreed to the proposal to purchase a new pump. We will go with the \$10,430 pump, which should be received quickly once ordered.
- h) Property Management: Underbrush from the parking lot to the clubhouse via the path will be done as it will also mitigate risk of damage to the septic system.
- i) Equipment Management:
 - i) Our new rough mower is in and mowing rough very quickly.

- ii) Our new carts have arrived and were put in the fleet this past Thursday. Numbers need to be updated so there is no duplication. We now have 85 carts. 75 is a good minimum for the fleet so we have them for big tournaments, rangers and 'just in case' situations. In terms of asset management, 80 makes sense. There are still 24 older carts. We will sell 5.

RESOLUTION 20250623-04 TO SELL 5 OLD GOLF CARTS FROM THE FLEET

MOVED BY: M. SHAMAS

SECONDED BY: J. POSTERARO

"THAT the HPGCC Board direct the Superintendent to sell 5 old carts from the fleet"

CARRIED

- j) Health and Safety: No update.

5) General Manager's Report

Huron Pines has hosted a number of events, including students from W.C. Eaket for their gym class. The liquor license has been updated to include the new chair's name for the Corporation. The alarm system is schedule to go live on June 24th. A question arose regarding gifts from suppliers. A policy for accepting gifts will be designed and implemented by the Governance Committee, with a maximum gift value assigned. Items offered by one of the golf manufacturers will be given as prizes for tournaments. The GM has revised working hours to better utilize starter/ranger staff. New advertising signs have been installed.

6) Committee Reports:

- a) Golf Course: None.
- b) Kitchen/Clubhouse: None.
- c) Tournaments: Unleashed went very well, as did the Cameco event. Men's Tournament numbers are down from previous years. This could be because the Unleashed is so close and because it is a team event. Perhaps hold the Unleashed sooner – end of May. The Tournament Committee will discuss ways to increase interest. Ideas include sending out special invitations to regain interest, and looking at bigger incentive prizes – hole in one, etc.
- d) Governance: The committee will set a meeting date to discuss the strategic planning process and policies. For the July meeting, a session will be held to design a vision board, with priorities, vision, values, etc.

7) New Business: None.

8) Closed Session

RESOLUTION 20250623-05 TO MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION

MOVED BY: J. POSTERARO

SECONDED BY: J. DUNBAR

“THAT the HPGCC Board enter a closed session”

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 20250623-06 TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

MOVED BY: G. RAINVILLE

SECONDED BY: J. DUNBAR

“THAT the HPGCC Board return to open session”

CARRIED

9) Adjournment

- a) Next regular meeting: July 28, 2025 at 7 p.m., Blind River Town Office.
- b) Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 10:23 p.m.