

# RECREATION CENTERS OF SUN CITY, INC.

## Lawn Bowling Advisory

February 7, 2023

Co-Chair Jean Totten called the meeting to order at 1:00pm in the Lakeview Board Room.

**Present:** Co-Chair Jean Totten and Committee Members Len Hitchcock, Norm Dickson, Brian Shirk, Peter Lenchuk, Claire Day, Jim Roth

**RCSC Staff:** Director of Golf and Grounds Brian Duthu, Ground Superintendent Scott Jones

**Guests:** Board President Kat Fimmel and Cardholders Darla Akins, Nancy Koenen

**Approval of Prior Meeting Summary:** The Meeting Summary of January 10, 2023 was approved as presented.

**Brian Duthu Report:** None

**Scott Jones Report:**

**Current Greens Pace: As of Tuesday, February 7, 2023**

- Bell North - ( January – 13.9 ) ( Current Reading – 14.2 )
- Bell South - ( January – 13.0 ) ( Current Reading – 14.5 )
- Lakeview East – (January – 12.9 ) ( Current Reading – 13.5 )
- Lakeview West – ( January 13.2 ) ( Current Reading – 13.0 )
- Oakmont – ( January 13.0 ) ( Current Reading – 13.0)
- Mountain view – ( January 13.5 ) ( Current Reading – 13.6 )

**Current Moisture Readings: Tuesday, February 7, 2023**

- Bell North – ( 8.9 )
- Bell South – ( 10.0 )
- Lakeview East ( 11.2 )
- Lakeview West – ( 10.5 )
- Oakmont – (9.8 )
- Mountain view ( 8.0 )

**General Information:**

- We are mowing once a week at .120. We are rolling three times a week and cleaning ditches three times a week.

**Contact Information:**

- Grounds superintendent Scott Jones Email : [scjones@suncityaz.org](mailto:scjones@suncityaz.org)

**Discussion Items:**

**Lakeview:**

Lakeview green traditionally the highest moisture reading is still highest even though the lake has been emptied and no water has been put on green. Where is the moisture coming from?

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The water leak near the driveway has been fixed. Request was made to reduce the green rolling and vacuum instead to remove dead grass.

**Oakmont:**

There was discussion on the replacement of the shade structure which was removed to install lights in 2022. Why was the shade replacement not part of the original light project? Once that oversight was discovered, why was the replacement not fast tracked to provide needed shade?

Why is there a two- year delay in needed shade?

Replacement of removed water fountain at Oakmont was discussed. It was allegedly removed because of the homeless people issue. There is a fountain on North golf course which has never been removed and is still operating.

Chair Lehrer will follow up and see if these two issues can be expedited.

Bare areas on green and mold issues need to be treated.

**Bell:**

A member asked if the foreign grass and weeds can be removed before they spread.

**Mt. View:**

“Rash” in the green, (N&S) rinks 5 & 6 are uneven.

**Fairway:**

Discussion was had on the Fairway carpet replacement. The request started in 2019, and it is now 2023 and there is no definite date for the replacement project. Carpet was installed with the knowledge and agreement by the past Board of Directors that replacement would be necessary and be done in a timely manner. There are inherent savings in man hours, seed, fertilizer, water and other expenses which occur because of an artificial green. The carpet has an expected life of 10 years and is now 12 years old and rippled.

An update was given on the number of bowlers. Last year 149 residents took 3 lessons each and so far in 2023, 38 more residents have taken three lessons to increase member participation.

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at approximately 2:00pm.

**Next Meeting:** March 14, 2023, at Lakeview Center Board Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Norm Dickson, Secretary