Fulton Country Club
Board Meeting Minutes–August, 2026

Board Members present: Rod Decker, Mark Regenwether, Lori Kennedy, Steve Dopson, Tim Swamberger, Dave Steiner, Troy Hartman, and Doug Schmidt. Absent: Terry Dellit and Ryan Richter.

President, Rod Decker called the meeting to order at 6:05.

Minutes from July, 2026 were read. Doug Schmidt made the motion to approve these minutes as read. Steve Dopson seconded the motion. Minutes approved.

Financial Report –Troy Hartman reviewed the financials ending July 2026. Dave Steiner made the motion to approve the Financials as read. Lori Kennedy seconded the motion. Financial report approved. Troy addressed the credit card fees the club is paying. A phone call was made regarding these fees. Usage of debit cards cannot charge fees to use. Money saved after the phone call was made, was a noticeable amount.

Rod began discussion of committee reports.
Committee reports:

Bar and Pro Shop—Doug Schmidt reported the cooler is leaking; Doug hasn't had a chance to look at it yet.

Grounds and Greens—Mark Regenwether addressed a couple of issues – 150-yard posts and green tee boxes. Mark personally talked to James after our last Board meeting regarding these two items. Discussion took place regarding the appearance and upkeep of these tees and the placement of the 150-yard posts. It was discussed that three-four months have gone by with no prevail due to being short staffed to get the posts in. Jim Montgomery and Pete Byers (members attending mtg.) added to the discussion by questioning the Board regarding the groundskeeper's job description and the maintenance of the tee boxes. Steve questioned the placement of tee in mud; it becomes a safety issue. Pete Byers made a course comparison to Lost Nation's course—questioned when our sprinkler system is running. More discussion took place.

Buildings—Doug reported for Terry Dellit; Hartz lock is going to be here Wednesday morning about 9:00 a.m. to begin replacing the side door and the door to the pro shop. Tim Swamberger raised the question if Hartz were going to replace the cement under the door threshold. Doug already discussed that with the workers and they will take a look at it.

Rod brought up the suggestion to find somebody who might have a portable power-wash to clean the white fence next Spring. Tim thinks we can do it internally; Discussion followed, with Tim and Steve agreeing to see this project materialize.

Sports – Tim Swamberger began discussion of tournaments left for the year. Jim Montgomery and Pete Byers questioned the format of how players are paired up for foursomes during tournament play. A lengthy discussion took place regarding members picking their teams vs. tournament committee assigning teams.

Old Business: Tim Swamberger brought to the Board's attention that the Edward Jones' sponsor sign is missing their company logo. Christie Adkin's asked if that could be taken care of. Tim will be in touch with Christie.

Jim Montgomery brought up again when will the 150-yard makers will be replaced. Jim would like to know what Board meeting this was approved to replace them. Continued Discussion.

New Business:

- Dave began new business by bringing a suggestion to the Board regarding the cart paths' extensions. Dave and Mark will take a look at the current cart paths and estimate the amount of gravel, black top, cost, etc. would be needed to move forward with the possibility of future renovation to the cart paths.
- Another area of improvement was addressed, that being, to get a new liner for the pond on hole number 8. Tim Swamberger volunteered to get estimates for cost of this possible project.
- Maintenance shed is in need of repair; roof leaking, etc.
- Doug brought up that current aerator is not working; James is borrowing equipment to get jobs done. Jim Montgomery volunteered to look around and see if he could locate a sander for irrigation. Discussion for creating a Capital Improvement Plan took place.
- Mark Regenwwether discussed PGA allows you to make changes to your course - Relief Option that improves pace of play; some members are playing the parallel rule, however, we have not adopted the rule. Comparable to drop zone on Hole 8. Tim questioned how do we implement the rule. Response: Post it; Update our current rules and regulations. Mark so moved to adopt PGA Local Rule E. Steve Dopson seconded it. Motion carried.

PGA Local rule (Model Local Rule E):

> **Fulton Country Club adopts the optional Local Rule (Model Local Rule E) to drop the ball in the fairway near where it went out-of-bounds, no closer to the hole, with a two-stroke penalty instead of going back to the original spot.**
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> **The purpose of this Local Rule is to allow a Committee (Board) to provide an extra relief option that allow a player to play on without returning to the location of the previous stroke.**

Member, Eric Fullick questioned the disbursement of beer chips; instead of chips issue a gift certificate. Discussion took place with the Board. Doug will talk with Kathie.

Next meeting September 28th. Meeting adjourned at 7:00. Motion made by Doug and seconded by Steve.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Kennedy, Board Secretary

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