

**Ironman Annual Winter Meeting
February 1, 2024 10:00AM
Foothills Conference Room**

Officer Attendees:

Jerry Juracich, President
Mario Silva, Vice-President
David Cook, President
Bill Travis, Secretary

Club Attendees:

Chuck Benjamin
Larry Dorsey
David Hathaway
Victor Hong
Bob Lapidus
Sang Nam
Bob Pritchard

Each attendee receives one championship point for attending the meeting.

The President, Jerry Juracich called the meeting to order.

Secretary's Report: Bill Travis presented the minutes for the 10/2023 Annual Meeting and the minutes for the 11/2023 Special Meeting. The primary issue at both meetings were regarding changes made to the Ironman By-Laws regarding the payment of Ironman dues. Those changes were voted on and approved at the Special Meeting.

A motion was made and seconded to accept both Minutes as written, and it passed unanimously.

Jerry Juracich mentioned that the changes to the By-Laws need to be presented to the Villages Administration for approval. Bill Travis will do so.

Jerry also mentioned that the changes in the By-Laws be added to the Ironmen Website. Dave Cook will make those changes.

Treasurer's Report: Dave Cook presented the Operating Funds Transactions for the end of 2023 and for 2024 to date, and also presented the Ironmen bank statement with the current balance.

The club has received the 2024 Membership dues from the VGCC accounting department. We had thirty-three renewals and added one new member to the club. The club's current balance is \$2168.41, and we are on track for this year's budget.

A motion was made and seconded to accept The Treasurer's Report, and it passed unanimously.

President's Report:

Old Business: None

New Business: The USGA handicap system now includes all Par 3 courses and, therefore players should report their Par 3 course scores in order that they may be factored into their GHIN handicap.

The issue presented at today's meeting is whether the Ironmen Club should embrace the new handicap system and that all members should acquire a GHIN handicap.

Many Ironmen members do not have a GHIN handicap because, in the past, they rarely play the course (nine holes or eighteen holes) and see no benefit to joining the USGA and acquiring a GHIN number. Others believe that unifying the handicaps for all the courses will be beneficial and that having a GHIN number is part of following the rules of golf and the Ironmen Club should follow such rules.

A discussion ensued that included the various points of view, including a comprehensive outline of the issues by Dave Hathaway and Dave Cook. Dave Cook and others will put together the relevant points, pro and con, and the Board will present them to the members.

No vote was taken today on the matter.

Jerry then mentioned that the next Ironmen event was the picnic scheduled for July 13th. Jerry also asked whether we should hold an auction at the same time and place like the auction held last year. The consensus in the room was that the auction was fun and we should considering doing it again.

Jerry also mentioned that the Ironmen annual Spring tee time move will be April 4th at 10:00AM.

No further business being presented, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn and was passed by acclamation.