



# COUNTY OF KENOSHA

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## Public Works / Facilities Committee Golf Division Status Report for March 2022

- Jim Wallace our new Superintendent at BDL is acclimating well. He started February 28<sup>th</sup>. We made the decision to begin our staff recruitment efforts early this year, and the initial results have been positive. We will continue our recruitment efforts - reviewing resumes and scheduling interviews. We are targeting having 30 new employees in place by early May.
- We are preparing for the Milwaukee Golf Show, March 18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup>. This venue offers a good opportunity to increase regional awareness of the quality and value Kenosha County Golf has to offer.
- We continue our work to rebook past outings and recruit new outings for 2022. Petrifying Springs GC will be full for afternoon leagues with over 420 weekly league players (the most since 2009). Brighton Dale is also booking up but has capacity to accommodate more leagues.
- The Golf Clearance Sale is ongoing and Indoor Golf Simulator is operational at Petrifying Springs GC, both have had great customer participation. The Virtual Winter Golf League will wind down in March as we prepare for the outdoor season. Patrons really enjoyed this off-season opportunity to golf locally.
- Consistent with previous years, we are preparing to open on March 17<sup>th</sup> with an “Opening of the Greens on St Patrick’s Day”. Our Staff are all hoping the weather cooperates and conditions permit. We will prepare a press-release when the opening date is certain. The White Birch and Petrifying Springs courses will open first, followed by the Red Pines and Blue Spruce as weather and demand dictates. The practice range always opens late due to poor drainage.
- Projects either in process or on tap to start are:
  - Refresh areas in the Brighton Dale Links/Petrifying Springs GC** – We are working to complete the deep cleaning, painting, equipment replacement so things are ready for the upcoming season.
  - Ordering Supplies, Equipment and Merchandise**- We are also working to complete the purchasing processes for all capital items, fertilizers, supplies and merchandise for the golf shop.
  - BDL Tree/Brush Removal** – The clearing of undesirable underbrush and the grow-back in the areas we brushed-out two years ago continues.