



# COUNTY OF KENOSHA

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## Public Works / Facilities Committee Golf Division Status Report for March 2023

### General:

- Work continues on our 2023 business plan. We are evaluating a range of initiatives designed to provide a framework for our continued success. We are having a productive off season, booking group events, restocking the golf shop, freshening up the clubhouses, organizing and getting ready for the 2023 golf season.
- The Milwaukee Golf Show February 17<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> was a good start of promoting the courses for 2023. The venue offered a good opportunity to increase regional awareness of the quality and value Kenosha County Golf has to offer. We gave coupons to over 3,500 different people in hopes that they utilize our courses.
- The biggest priority this month is implementing recruitment strategies. We have explored a few options for advertising and scouting new talent. We reached out to local high schools and colleges, businesses that cater to potential employees, and used online networking. Results have been positive, and we are getting good candidates.
- Consistent with previous years, we are preparing to open on Friday, 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:

- **Request for Proposals**

Project overview: We have awarded the bid for the Red Pines Nine irrigation system to Midwest Irrigation out of Dubuque Iowa. This project should start in early September which is great timing.

We have awarded the RFP for the Petrifying Springs Maintenance and Brighton Dale Storage design work to Kueny Architects out of Pleasant Prairie, WI. We have had our first two meetings and are excited to build a building that will be functional for decades to come. We will need to clear a little less than an acre of woods to build the new building.

We have hired Quitno Golf Design to perform the architectural work for the Blue Spruce bunker renovation and the Red Pines renovation. We have worked with Todd Quitno since 2010 on the master plan for the golf courses.



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- **Tree/Brush Removal**

Project Overview: Staff is doing a good job clearing out after the ice storm, buckthorn, underbrush, grow-back in the areas that were brushed-out previously and in other areas.

- **Winterization**

Project Overview: Field/Maintenance Operations – performing maintenance and refreshing of all course maintenance equipment, specifying, and ordering approved capital equipment, fertilizers, chemicals, and related course maintenance supplies.