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## ELK LODGE 590 BULLETIN

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### *Secretary's Desk...*

OK, no Ides of March comments. Our Lodge Officers and Trustees are working both internally and with State Elk representatives to soon resolve the Elk Financial Reporting System (FRS) matters, be in full compliance with FRS requirements and get off "Probation". Please read the Board's letter concerning FRS elsewhere in the Bulletin.

During the February 15<sup>th</sup> Lodge Meeting, members elected the Officers and Trustees as stated on the ballot. They will assume their positions during the April 1<sup>st</sup> Lodge Meeting. Please welcome: Michael Carroll, ER; Jeff Johnson, Leading Knight, Brianna Wills Loyal Knight; Dave Brunk, Lecturing Knight and Brian Kirschling, Trustee Chairman. On a related matter, the secretary search is over and thank you to those who responded. One of our newer members, Wilfred Nixon has agreed to serve as Lodge Secretary.

A reminder, during March both the Board and Lodge will meet on the first and third Mondays beginning at 6 and 7 pm respectively. Beginning in April and continuing through December, the Board will meet monthly on the first and third Mondays at 6 pm. The Lodge will meet monthly only on the first Monday at 7 pm.

Your Officers and Trustees continue working on Elk Year end tasks including budget preparation. New Proposed Budget information will soon be available including the Meeting Date for a vote to approve the 2021 – 2022 Budget.

Another reminder, Dues for the 2021 – 2022 Elk Year are now due. If you haven't already done so, kindly do so before the end of March. The member Season Golf and Pool Activity form appears later in the Bulletin.

Please send items for the Board and other Lodge matters, confidentially, to my attention at: [sec\\_mgc\\_590@yahoo.com](mailto:sec_mgc_590@yahoo.com).

*Michael Carroll.*

Lodge Secretary,  
Iowa City Elk Lodge 590



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February 28, 2021

Dear, fellow Elks:

You likely received a letter from Paul Ryan, Grand Exalted Ruler informing you that Elks Lodge 590 is on probation for failing to implement the Elk's Financial Reporting System (FRS) and submit required reports for Lodge years 2019-2021. We are sure this has raised questions among our members, and we, the Trustees and Officers of Lodge 590, would like to provide some additional context to this notice from Elks National.

Our lodge is the largest in the state and, with a golf course, swimming pool and restaurant, provides a wide array of amenities to our members. As a result, our accounting is significantly more complex than many other lodges in Iowa. In November 2019, Elks National introduced a new Financial Reporting System (FRS) that requires monthly reporting, rather than quarterly as has been done in the past. Furthermore, the new FRS system does not communicate well with the accounting and bookkeeping software that Lodge 590 has traditionally used. As a result, we have been working with the state Elks Association to remedy this situation.

We have been assured by the state association that our efforts have been fruitful and have allowed us to nearly be up to date on our accounting and monthly FRS reports. It is our belief that we will have this situation remedied entirely in the very near future.

Being placed on probation is not a situation that we take lightly. We are confident that our work to get up to date with FRS reports will satisfy Elks National and will allow us to be removed from probation quickly. Lodge 590 remains strong financially and, as we discuss plans for a comprehensive facility improvement of the lodge, golf course, swimming pool, and restaurant our future is indeed bright. We look forward to the partnership of our members in this endeavor.

In Fellowship,  
Your Board of Directors

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# DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

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18, January 2021

Re: Directors Meeting Agenda

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**Present:** B. Kirschling, C. Nicknish, B. Adamec, Z. Payne, J. Buhmeyer, T. Dahms, S. Geisler, J. Johnson, B. Wills, M. Carroll, (Non-Voting: R. Beyhl, W. Courtney, R. Payne, N. Giles and D. Brunk)

**Absent:**

**Prior Minutes:** Minutes from the January 4<sup>th</sup> Meeting were e-mailed to Board members. Motion made by S. Geisler and B. Wills to accept the minutes as written. The motion carried (Y).

**General Manager's Report:**

- Swimming Pool: No report
- Golf Course: N. Giles reported: ninety-one hours of post Derecho clean-up were included in the Derecho insurance claim, seasonal equipment maintenance and snow removal continues. Giles mentioned our course is 125 years-old this year and suggests doing something in recognition. New "Irrigation proposal" does not include holes 3 & 4 just older holes system is 36 years old — proposing double row system, new piping and controls
- Restaurant: R. Payne said diner numbers are low but seasonal. Discussion about: closing restaurant the first two weeks of February and a Valentine's Day event followed. Labor costs, low New Year's Eve attendance and impact of opening for one day were mentioned. B. Adamec moved and S. Geisler 2<sup>nd</sup> : "Close restaurant for dinner on Wednesdays but keep restaurant open on Fridays until April 1<sup>st</sup> ". Discussion:
  - Need for a certain number of diners for a viable evening — no set number,
  - What is member perception of closing on Wednesday — at least one member opposes closing the restaurant (full extent of restaurant part of Lodge remodel proposal discussions).
  - Overall food costs include pool service and effect of any restaurant closing on pool membership requires consideration.
  - Cost savings over an extended period Wednesday closing vs only closing for two Wednesdays and staying open on Fridays. Sends a mixed message for future fund-raising.
  - In long run cost of full restaurant service may not be viable; however providing "food service" offers a flexible business model.
- The motion as stated was called for a vote — the motion passed. R. Payne to send e-mail to members.
- Financial Reports: December income and expenses mentioned net \$6,000 for month. R. Beyhl reported: Bills against the Lodge \$11,076, Receipts of Session \$19,072 and Balance at end of Session \$16,819.
- Membership: Beg.: 604, Inc.: 56, Dec.: 36, Tot.: 624, Avg. Age 55, Del. 9, Life 56.

**Unfinished Business:**

- Discussion Contractor Proposals and next steps:
  - Have a rough time frame: early spring fundraising, Labor Day construction starts, Memorial Day lodge re-opens,

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- Estimated target \$1.97M,
  - Not recommend a contractor proposal as presented,
  - Building costs not included irrigation for golf course,
  - Consider project phases (1) Lodge, (2) Golf,
  - J. Johnson spoke with Bradford Goodfellow re. marketing and mailing brochure, member/business solicitation, power-point presentations etc. For member feedback.
  - An early April member vote to approve the project was mentioned – noted that both member and National approval of project are necessary.
- Point-of-sale (POS): R. Payne ordered a system upgrade including new computers — awaiting delivery.

## New Business

- Member Dues and Activity Fees for 2021 – 2022 Elk Year. Following brief discussion, Z. Payne moved and B. Wills 2<sup>nd</sup> to increase all fees including locker rental 5%. The motion was called for a vote and passed.
- Officer & Trustee Ballot — unchanged still need a secretary. Member vote planned for February 15<sup>th</sup> Lodge Meeting.
- Biennial Report for Nonprofit Corporation 2021 **filed** with Iowa Secretary of State.
- Lodge Website: R. Payne new website development costs are \$1,500 — \$2,000, with annual fees of \$250; members can pay bills using a “cart”; website cannot do e-mail and itemized bills currently are not an option. During 2021 everyone signs a receipt on all items and records are kept to resolve member questions. T. Dahms said members should pay as go like other businesses, B. Wills said people tend to spend more when using credit.

## Individual's Comments:

- No comments made.

## Closing:

There being no additional Business, Trustee chairman B. Kirschling closed the meeting.

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# DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

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1, February 2021

Re: Directors Meeting Agenda

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**Present:** B. Kirschling, C. Nicknish, B. Adamec, Z. Payne, J. Buhmeyer, T. Dahms, S. Geisler, J. Johnson, B. Wills, M. Carroll, (Non-Voting: R. Beyhl, ~~W. Courtney~~, R. Payne, N. Giles and ~~D. Brunk~~)

**Absent:** W. Courtney, D. Brunk

**Prior Minutes:** Minutes from the January 18<sup>th</sup> Meeting were e-mailed to Board members. Motion made by Z. Payne and B. Kirschling to accept the minutes as written. The motion carried (Y).

**B. Klatt, Grand Lodge Secretary letter:** T. Dahms explained the draft letter, summarized a 01/24 meeting, and R. Payne to submit FRS reports going forward. M. Carroll mentioned phone calls with B. Kehe, D. Neeley, and D. Johnston. B. Kehe worked with A. Lepic on 01/29 and said our account codes are in compliance.

## General Manager's Report:

- Swimming Pool: No Report
- Golf Course: N. Giles — usual equipment maintenance and labor costs for Derecho clean-up submitted to R. Payne. Brief discussion about irrigation upgrade, pump-house improvements, and alternate water sources. N. Giles will get "Bid" update during spring. "Give Program" which benefits Veterans mentioned — Golf Committee to discuss at their next meeting.
- Restaurant: R. Payne heard no negative comments re Wednesday dining-room closings through March. January 29 dinner about 13 dined in and 8-10 carry-outs; Z. Payne comment that musicians are nice and attract diners.
- Financial Reports: Given during Lodge Meeting. Noted 147 of 600 members paid 2021-2022 dues and this money used for expenses. T. Dahms asked about delinquent members as of March 31<sup>st</sup> — they are granted DIMITs.
- Membership: Beg.: 604, Inc.: 56, Dec.: 37, Tot.: 623, Avg. Age 55, Del. 9, Life 56.

## Unfinished Business:

- Discussion Contractor Proposals and next steps: J. Johnson led a discussion that included: Lodge Remodel "DRAFT" brochure which would inform and encourage member discussion and feedback, and assist fundraising. Comments were made that members MUST be kept informed and up-to-date, proper recommendations and Lodge approval are necessary before initiating fundraising, Board needs to understand what members actually want, and "golf Simulator" idea to be presented to Golf Committee for comment. The Board will consider "Brochure" and printing cost for approval during the 2/15 meeting. Use of the Lodge Webpage for Brochure publication and regimentation of "Lodge Vision — Where we want to go" also consider a member survey.
- Point-of-sale (POS): The current system was upgraded and fully operational.
- Lodge Website: R. Payne has full access to the existing Website and will work with current Website and avoid cost of new website.
- Secretary: No member interest — M. Carroll to send e-mail.

New Business

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- Financial Reporting System: January 29 work session was discussed earlier.

**Individual's Comments:**

- None made

**Closing:**

There being no additional Business, Trustee chairman B. Kirschling closed the meeting.

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# LODGE MEETING MINUTES

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**18, January 2021**

**Iowa City Elks Lodge 590 Regular Lodge Meeting, Terry Dahms, Exalted Ruler:**

Opening: T. Dahms, ER opened the meeting

Calling roll of Officers: T. Dahms, S. Geisler, J. Johnson, B. Wills, R. Beyhl, ~~W. Courtney~~, M. Carroll, B. Adamec, J. Buhmeyer, B. Kirschling, C. Nicknish, Z. Payne, ~~G. Ulrich~~

Quorum Present: Y / N

**Reading minutes:** Minutes of the 01/04 Lodge Meeting were e-mailed to Lodge Officers. Motion made by B. Kirschling and R. Payne to approve the minutes as written. The motion carried (Y).

**Initiation:**

**Sickness and distress:**

**Community Activities:** Beacon and Gratitude Grant Final Reports — M. Carroll said National accepted both grant reports.

**Reports of Committees:** None

**Report of the Fraternal Committee:**

**Reading communications:** None Received

**Propositions for membership:**

- None

**Balloting on candidates:**

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**Unfinished business:**

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**New business:**

- Board Recommendation for 2021 – 2022 Member Dues and Activity Fees: “All fees including locker rental to be increased by 5%. B. Wills moved and B. Adamec 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve the Board recommendation. The motion was called for a vote and passed.
- Board Recommendation for Officer and Trustee Nominations for 2021 – 2022 Elk Year and Election Date. Ballot was accepted and an election date of February 15<sup>th</sup> is scheduled.

**Good of the Order:**

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**Treasurer’s Report:**

- Bills against the Lodge: \$11,076
- Receipts of the Lodge: \$19,072
- Balance at End-of-Session: \$16,819

**Closing:** There being no further business, T. Dahms, ER closed the meeting.

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# LODGE MEETING MINUTES

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01, February 2021

**Iowa City Elks Lodge 590 Regular Lodge Meeting, Terry Dahms, Exalted Ruler:**

Opening: T. Dahms, ER opened the meeting

Calling roll of Officers: T. Dahms, S. Geisler, J. Johnson, B. Wills, R. Beyhl, ~~W. Courtney~~, M. Carroll, B. Adamec, J. Buhmeyer, B. Kirschling, C. Nicknish, Z. Payne, ~~G. Urich~~

Quorum Present: Y / N

**Reading minutes:** Minutes of the January 18<sup>th</sup> Lodge Meeting were e-mailed to Lodge Officers.

Motion made by B. Kirschling and B. Adamec to approve the minutes as written. The motion carried (Y).

**Initiation:** None

**Sickness and distress:**

**Community Activities:**

**Reports of Committees:**

**Report of the Fraternal Committee:**

**Reading communications:**

**Propositions for membership:**

- The following members are eligible for Life Membership during the 2021 Elk Year: William Brandt (36), John Murphy (36), Douglas Parsons (36) and John Chiles (37). I, M. Carroll move that they be elected to Life Membership. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by J. Johnson.

**Balloting on candidates:**

- The motion to elect the four members to Life Membership was called for a vote: William Brandt (Y), John Murphy (Y), Douglas Parsons (Y) and John Chiles (Y).

**Unfinished business:**

- None

**New business:**

- None

**Good of the Order:**

- Lodge Progress with the National Financial Reporting System (FRS) was discussed during the Board Meeting and noted here along with the Lodge's intent to fully implement FRS reporting.

**Treasurer's Report:**

- Bills against the Lodge: \$14,227
- Receipts of the Lodge: \$16,455
- Balance at End-of-Session: \$23,223

**Closing:** There being no further business, T. Dahms, ER closed the meeting.

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# ELKS CLUB BPOE #590

## 2021 GOLF AND SWIMMING SEASON MEMBERSHIP

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse \_\_\_\_\_  
Member # \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Children:  
\_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of each person with a Handicap** \_\_\_\_\_

**Member's Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

		SALES TAX	TOTAL WITH SALES TAX	
1. Family Golf Membership	\$1,160.00	\$69.60	\$1,229.60	_____
USGA Certified Handicap	\$25/person	\$1.50	\$26.50/person	_____
2. Single Golf Membership	\$825.00	\$49.50	\$874.50	_____
USGA Certified Handicap	\$25/person	\$1.50	\$26.50/person	_____
3. Junior Golf Membership	\$160.00	\$9.60	\$169.60	_____
USGA Certified Handicap			FREE	\$0.00
4. Family Swimming	\$440.00	\$26.40	\$466.40	_____
5. Season Cart Rental	\$615.00	\$36.90	\$651.90	_____
6. Cart Storage (Includes gas and electricity.)	\$370.00	\$22.20	\$392.20	_____
7. Trail Fee (Private carts not stored on Elks Property)	\$160.00	\$9.60	\$169.60	_____
			<b>Subtotal</b>	_____
8. Locker Rental	No Sales Tax on Locker Rental			
Annual Locker Fee	\$80.00		\$80.00	_____
Ten-Year Locker Fee	\$525.00		\$525.00	_____
Lifetime Locker Fee	\$790.00		\$790.00	_____
			<b>Subtotal</b>	_____

**Elks Membership Dues** **\$297.00**  
or

**Life Membership Dues** **\$72.00**

Due April 1, 2021 **Total Due** \_\_\_\_\_



# MARCH 2021

*Friday Dinner - Take Out*

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>DUE TO COVID - 19 ALL HOURS ARE TENTATIVE</b>	Pro Shop 10 - 4 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM Board Meeting 6 PM Lodge Meeting 7PM	Pro Shop 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Pro Shop 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Pro Shop 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Pro Shop 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM Dinner 5:30 - 8:30	Pro Shop CLOSED
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