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## Minutes of the E. Gaynor Brennan Golf Commission May 15, 2018 Meeting

### Present were:

R. Tyska, N. Lindstrom, T. Birkett, M. Briscoe

Absent: A. Lyons

Staff: M. Sullivan, L. Albano, A. Aulenti, V. Levin

Public: Ken Considine, Rob Colucci

Chairman Tyska called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

### Adoption of the Agenda

Mr. Briscoe made a motion to accept the agenda. Seconded by Mr. Birkett. **Motion passed unanimous.**

### Reading of the Minutes

Mr. Lindstrom made a motion to accept the minutes from the April 17, 2018 meeting. Seconded by Mr. Birkett. **Motion passed Unanimous**

Mr. Briscoe made a motion to accept the minutes of the May 1, 2018 Special Meeting, seconded by Mr. Birkett. **Motion passed unanimous.**

## **Comments from the Public**

Mr. Considine spoke to the need for tree work on the Golf course. It was his opinion, it was more important to prune and remove trees than to renovate tees. The removal of trees will allow more sunlight to get to existing tees. He reported how difficult it is to get to the 16<sup>th</sup> green due to overgrown trees. He felt more money was needed for tree work.

Mr. Tyska had reported that tree work has been discussed in the past.

Mr. Birkett stated that he loves the idea of cutting more trees.

Mr. Tyska reported it will be discussed further in the Supt. of Greens report.

## **Monthly Report**

Mr. Sullivan gave a brief fiscal report for the month of April 2018. He reported rounds and revenue were down last month due to cold and wet weather.

Mr. Tyska asked how we were doing on the new PAR Pass. Mr. Sullivan reported that we were ahead of sales on last year's Non-Resident permit by approximately one third.

## **Supt. of Greens Report**

Mr. Sullivan reported tees had been aerated and over-seeded. He also reported several rough areas has been aerated and over-seeded with an a new attachment purchased last fall for the Ventrac machine. he Also reported that front nine greens were aerated and topdressed. Only front nine was done due to poor weather. The back nine would be done next week.

Mr. Tyska inquired about the cart path resin. Mr. Sullivan reported that the resin had been received, we just need to purchase the tools need to apply and have good weather to apply it.

Mr. Tyska requested an update on the parking lot bond and the transfer of funds to close out an old project. Mr. Sullivan reported \$70,000 was being transferred from the parking lot bond to close out the bunker bond. Grasso had not yet been contacted to discuss repaving the third and fifteenth cart paths. He also reported that they need to patch cracking around the drain in the parking lot.

Mr. Tyska inquired if there was time to get a purchase order for tree work. Mr. Sullivan reported that there was a requisition in the work and that it was \$880 per day for a Bucket truck, chipper truck and two men, Asplundh Tree.

Mr. Sullivan expressed concern, due to how tight the course is, the removal of too many trees could cause a safety issue.

Mr. Birkett discussed the need to remove the tree on the right side of three tee and trees in front of sixteen green.

Mr. Sullivan discussed how any healthy tree must be tagged by the Tree Warden for thirty days. After a lengthy discussion regarding a larger commitment to tree work, a motion was made by Mr. Birkett, seconded by Mr. Lindstrom to request a price from Asplund Tree for a tree crew for 6 days, or a double crew for three days.

## **Greens Committee**

Nothing to report

### **Personnel Committee**

Mr. Sullivan reported a seasonal laborer was hired but failed to show

Mr. Sullivan reported that a past cashier, Peter Vacarro has returned. He also reported he is having difficulty finding rangers that want to work at night and on weekends.

Mr. Briscoe left at 6:46pm.

### **Finance Committee**

Nothing to report

### **House Committee**

A brief discussion was held regarding the monitoring of outside alcohol being brought onto the course.

### **Pro-Shop Committee**

Nothing to report

### **Union Business**

Nothing to report

### **Correspondence**

Nothing to report

### **Request for use of the Golf Course**

Nothing to report

### **Outing Request**

Nothing to report

### **League Requests**

Nothing to report

### **Old Business**

Mr. Sullivan reported that Engineering had a walk through with prospective architects for clubhouse renovations.

Mr. Sullivan reported that junior tee markers yardages had been determined and just need to be placed. Mr. Tyska requested that they be put out soon so they can be promoted for the summer months.

Mr. Tyska reported that he would like to discuss the Golf Cart Operation RFP in Executive Session.

Mr. Tyska entertained a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss the New RFP for Cart Operation. He requested Ms. Albano, Mr. Sullivan and Ms. Brantner be included.

Mr. Birkett made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lindstrom, to enter into executive session to discuss the New RFP for Cart Operation. **Motion passed Unanimous**

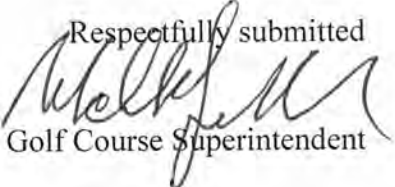
The Commission entered into Executive Session at 6:56pm

Mr. Tyska reported the Commission exited Executive Session at 8:39 pm. He reported that the RFP was finalized and requested a motion to approve the RFP.

Mr. Birkett made a motion to approve the RFP, seconded by Mr. Lindstrom. **Motion Passed Unanimous**

Seeing no further business, Mr. Lindstrom made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Birkett. **Motion passed unanimous.**

Meeting ended 8:41 pm

Respectfully submitted  
  
Golf Course Superintendent