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Wednesday; November 20, 2013

# Minutes of the E. Gaynor Brennan Golf Commission Meeting

#### **Present were:**

M. Sullivan, D. Brennan, R. Tyska, N. Lindstrom, V. Levin

Chairman Brennan opened the meeting at 6:02 pm.

### Adoption of the Agenda

Mr. Tyska made a motion to accept the agenda. 2nd by Mr. Lindstrom, Unanimous

### **Reading of the Minutes**

Mr. Tyska made a motion to accept the minutes from the Sept. 17<sup>th</sup> meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Lindstrom, Unanimous

### **Comments from the Public**

No Comments from the Public

#### **Monthly Report**

Mr. Sullivan gave a Brief Fiscal report on the month of Oct. Play was up 229 rounds for the Month and \$1,910.00 in Player revenue. For the fiscal year, rounds are up 220 and up \$16,526 in player revenue. For the calendar year play is down 2874 and \$48,461 in player revenue. A brief discussion was held on Cart Revenue.

## Supt. of Greens Report

Mr. Sullivan reported that Fairways had been aerated and that staff have been doing leaf cleanup. He also reported that he had a company come in and perform a deep tine aeration on greens. He reported this was done to alleviate a compacted layer.

A brief discussion was held regarding the possible sodding of damaged areas on 13 and 14 greens. Mr. Sullivan reported that he would be ordering bentgrass sod at the same time that sod At the same time sod is order for the 8<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> tee.

## **Greens Committee Report**

Mr. Tyska reported that a new machine was purchased for the course. He reported that one of the attachments was a trencher, which will be used for drainage and for root pruning. Mr. Sullivan reported the irrigation system was to be blown out the first week of December.

#### **Personnel Committee Report**

Mr. Sullivan reported that a few seasonals had left sooner than expected. He hopes to hire two seasonals to assist with winter projects.

# **Finance Committee Report**

Nothing to Report

### **House Committee**

Nothing to report.

#### **Pro shop Committee**

Mr. Brennan read a letter from Hole-In-One Cart Rental requesting the five extension in the cart contract to be exercised. It was reported that the ending date in her letter was incorrect and should read 2018, not 2019.

Mr. Lindtrom made a motion to accept the request for the extension form Hole-In-One Cart Rental with a change in the ending date to 2018. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Tyska. **Motion passed Unanimous**.

Mr. Brennan read a Letter from Hole-in-One Cart Rental, requesting they be allowed to close from Jan 1, 2014- Feb 28, 2014. During the time, Course staff will sell any carts, with 100% of cart revenue going to the course during this period.

Mr. Tyska made a motion to accept the letter from Hole-in-one cart rental regarding closing. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Lindstrom. **Motion passed Unanimous**.

Mr. Levin reported he received a very favorable response from the PGA, regarding the recent playability test held at Brennan. He informed the commission that they are interested holding a tournament at our facility again.

Mr. Tyska made a motion to add "PGA Playability Test" to the agenda. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Lindstrom. Motion passed Unanimous.

Mr. Tyska made a motion to approve a PGA Playability Test for the last Tuesday in September, September 30, 2014. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Lindstrom. **Motion passed unanimous**.

### **Union Business**

Nothing to Report

#### Request for Use of the Golf Course

Nothing to Report

#### **Old Business**

Mr. Sullivan reported he started to get material and equipment in to work on 8 and 16 tees. He reported that the tee would be closed shortly.

He reported he hoped to get the cart path bid to purchasing shortly.

Mr. Levin reported that the Four bag cart attachment had been rented three times during the trial period. He reported that Ms. Aulenti would be willing to obtain a couple of units for future use, if it was desired by the commission.

No update regarding Air Conditioning in the Men's Locker Room.

Mr. Tyska reported that he would like to raise the regular weekend rate from \$27.00 to \$28.00. He also reported that he is in favor of raising the permit rate after a certain date. The reason for raising after a certain date being that additional staff are needed to sell permits during the Golf Season. He reported the resident golf permit would be \$35.00 through March 31<sup>st</sup> and \$40.00 after April 1<sup>st</sup>.

He also felt that due to a new fleet of carts and money being spent on new cart paths, he was also in favor of raising the cart rate.

Mr. Lindstrom requested how much revenue would be raised by these increases. Mr. Tyska reported it would be approximately \$10,000.

Mr. Lindstrom reported that he was in favor of raising Regular Resident rates \$1.00 across the board.

After a brief discussion, Mr. Tyska made a motion to raise the regular resident permit rate to \$40.00, for permits bought starting April 1<sup>st</sup>. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Lindstrom. **Motion passed Unanimous** 

After a brief discussion, Mr. Lindstrom made a motion to increase the weekend rates by \$1.00 for regular residents. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Tyska. **Motion passed Unanimous** 

Mr. Sullivan reported that he was still obtaining price quotes for options for netting to prevent golf balls from leaving the property at the 1<sup>st</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> holes.

# **New Business**

Mr. Lindstrom requested if there is a way to obtain donations from corporations to support the golf course. A brief discussion was held on how some courses have set up funds for accepting donations.

Motion made by Mr. Lindstrom, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Tyska to adjourn the meeting. Unanimous Meeting adjourned, with no votes taken, at 7:28 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Golf Course Superintendent