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Minutes of the E. Gaynor Brennan Golf Commission; August 17, 2021

Present were: R. Judge, M. Briscoe, A. Brantner, A. Tedesco.

Absent: M. Vera.

Staff: H. Nagashima, V. Levin, A. Aulenti, L. Albano, B. Ukperaj.

Public: None.

Meeting was held by zoom due to restrictions set in response to COVID-19. Chairman Judge called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

Adoption of the Agenda

Mr. Briscoe made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Motion seconded by Ms. Brantner. **Motion passed unanimous.**

Reading of the Minutes

Ms. Brantner made a motion to approve the minutes for the July 20, 2021 meeting. Motion seconded by Mr. Tedesco. **Motion passed unanimous.**

Comments from the Public

None.

Monthly Report

Mr. Ukperaj gave a report on rounds for the month of July. Calendar and fiscal year updates on rounds were given. A purchase order report and budget for the fiscal year were shared. Mr. Ukperaj and Ms. Albano answered questions from the Commissioners on related fiscal matters.

Supt. of Greens Report

Mr. Nagashima reported to the Commission on conditions of the golf course. Updates on staff and course maintenance were given as the course is still going through a high stress period. Mr. Nagashima detailed aeration work, tree maintenance and weed control. Fall aeration for greens, fairways and a lime application will be completed in the fall. Discussion followed on paving the lower parking lot. Mr. Briscoe made a motion to spend up to \$20,000 of existing capital money to pave the lower parking lot. Motion seconded by Mr. Tedesco. **Motion passed unanimous.**

Golf Shop

Mr. Levin explained changes that have taken place to the software system as well as changes to come that will affect how tee times are booked and charged online in advance for non-residents. Mr. Levin also discussed the possibility to weigh the rankings of the resident weekend lottery, so that tee time requests that have four permit holders included are given priority followed by those with three permit holders included, then two and then only one. Discussion took place in regards to both changes in online booking and lottery requests. Ms. Brantner made a motion to change the lottery system in order to weigh requests based on number of permit holders included in the request and to pre-charge non-residents upon tee time booking. Mr. Briscoe seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimous.**

Restaurant

Nothing to report.

Personnel & Union Activity

Ms. Albano informed the Commission that the course is still waiting to hire a full-time laborer and detailed the process of hiring the position.

Correspondence

Nothing to report.

Request for use of the Golf Course

Mr. Levin summarized current requests and effects of recently passed COVID restrictions due to the delta variant.

Old Business

Capital Projects – Discussion took place amongst staff and Commissioners on capital funding, status of current debt payments and prioritizing projects. Mr. Briscoe inquired about the status of fixing the boiler system to which Ms. Albano replied the HVAC employee of the City is confident he could fix the boiler itself. Commissioners requested figures for the projects before deciding on how to move forward. The subject will be revisited next meeting with the inclusion of that information.

Hubbard Heights/EGB Anniversary – Ms. Albano lead discussion on the possibilities of how to commemorate the anniversary of the golf course with ideas and creation of a committee. Ms. Aulenti also shared her experience with events and ideas. Thoughts were shared amongst Commissioners and staff with focus on having an outing plus dinner following. The subject will be revisited in the next meeting.

New Business

Nothing to report.

Seeing no further business, Mr. Briscoe made a motion adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ms. Brantner. **Motion passed unanimous.**

Meeting ended 7:22 pm.

Respectfully submitted



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