

GOLF COMMISSION MEETING
MONDAY, JULY 12, 2010
7:30 pm
EUNICE POSTOL RECREATION CENTER
75 MILL PLAIN ROAD
FAIRFIELD, CONNECTICUT

FINAL MINUTES

The Golf Commission of the Town of Fairfield held a meeting on July 12, 2010 at the Eunice Postal Recreation Center, 75 Mill Plain Road, Fairfield, CT.

Members Present: Craig Curley, Fred Joseph, Jordan Lustig, Jack Slane, Andrew Janis, Tammi Peterson, Susan O'Donnell

Others Present: Gerry Lombardo, Jim Alexander, Peter Grace, Beverly Abt, Ronnie Wayne, Joan Barbarich, Member of the Public

Chairman Craig Curley called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

I. Approve Minutes-June 14, 2010

Fred Joseph made a motion to approve the minutes. Drew Janis seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

II. Correspondence-None

III. Staff Reports:

1. Pro Manager Report-Jim Alexander reported that June was a good month at both courses. He said revenue for the driving range at both courses was down, compared to last month. Mr. Alexander said the Make-a-Wish Tournament and the Connecticut Open went well. He said Peter Grace told him that the extremely hot weather has caused some turf to be lost, but that is normal. Mr. Alexander also said the left side of nine, where the grass bunker is located behind the green, has not grown in. Chairman Curley noted that the Commission had previously discussed Mr. Grace repairing this area with sod, but Mr. Grace had chosen not to do this.

2. Administration Report- Parks and Recreation Department Director Gerry Lombardo reported on the incomes received this month. Mr. Lombardo said that the Green Fees exceeded the projected numbers by \$9000; the Season Passes were down by \$7000; Resident Golf ID's exceeded \$3400; Locker Rentals exceeded \$650; Cart Fees exceeded \$10,000; and the Driving Range exceeded \$1400. Mr. Lombardo said that two benches were installed on 15; on 4, the slab for the other two benches is being installed. One bench will be placed on the sixth hole; Mr. Lombardo would like to see the other bench placed on the triangle when people are driving in. The garden is coming up shortly. The Fairfield Senior Golf Association sent the Department a thank you note for work on the memorial bench on 15. Tammi Peterson asked if there is a plan to maintain benches on 15. Mr. Lombardo said he will mention this to Mr. Grace.

3. Superintendent's Report- Mr. Janis asked if there is more than one person involved in maintaining how sharply the cups are cut. Mr. Grace said during the week, the same staff maintains the cutting of the cups, but on the weekends, there is different staff that handles this. Chairman Curley suggested installing a one foot PBC pipe and rolling it over after the cup is cut. Mr. Grace thought that was a good idea.

IV. Greens Committee Report-There was nothing to report.

V. Old Business

1. Conservation IWPA 2004-11-Report-Mr. Lombardo said there is no update. He will be meeting soon with the Conservation Department to discuss the new drainage and the 2004-11 Report.

2. Alcohol Policy-Chairman Curley suggested tabling the item since Mike Duke, the concessionaire, was not present at the meeting. Mr. Alexander said that as far as abuse of over-serving, the situation has improved since last month. Mr. Lombardo said the existing policy covers the entire season. Chairman Curley thinks that the Commission's discussion last month about having no alcohol purchased from the outside should be clarified, especially since there will soon be new bids for the concession stand. Jordan Lustig asked if it's in the Commission's powers to propose an alcohol policy. Chairman Curley said he had asked Mr. Lombardo to find out if approval of this policy falls within the Commission's domain. Chairman Curley asked Mr. Lombardo to follow-up with a town attorney. Fred Joseph made a motion to table this item to the next meeting. Jack Slane seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

3. Borck Tournament Update

Mr. Alexander said the tournament will be held in two weeks. Dinner will be held at the Patterson Club. Chairman Curley said Fairfield will host this event, even though it had not been scheduled to this year.

VI. New Business-None

VII. Public Input

Ronnie Wayne, Fairfield Seniors Golf Association, asked what the Borck Tournament is. Chairman Curley said it's a 30-40 year memorial event for junior golfers. Beverly Abt, Par 3, said the annual Ann Stanley event is coming up soon. Joan Barbarich, President of the Women's Golf League, asked why the Greens Committee Report is on the agenda. Chairman Curley said that it was the Player's Advisory Committee that was not formed and, therefore, is no longer on the agenda.

Mr. Slane made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 pm. Vice-Chair Susan O'Donnell seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer S. Carpenter
Recording Secretary