

**GOLF COMMISSION
FAIRFIELD, CONNECTICUT
MINUTES OF GOLF COMMISSION MEETING
FEBRUARY 8, 2010**

The Golf Commission of the Town of Fairfield held a Meeting on February 10, 2010, at the Eunice Postal Recreation Center, 75 Mill Plain Road, Fairfield, CT.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Craig Curley, Chairman; Susan O'Donnell, Vice Chairman; Will Mraz; Barry Powlishen; Fred Joseph; and Tammy Peterson. **ABSENT:** Jordan Lustig. Also Present: Gerald Lombardo, Director of Parks And Recreation; Jim Alexander and Peter Grace.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman Craig Curley.

Barry Powlishen *moved* and Fred Joseph *seconded* to have the following matter placed on the agenda: 2010 Schedule. *Motion passed unanimously*

- I. Approve Minutes – January 11, 2010: Susan O'Donnell *moved* and Barry Powlishen *seconded* to approve the meeting minutes of January 11, 2010. *Motion passed unanimously.*
- II. Correspondence: None
- III. Staff Reports:

Pro Manager Report: Jim Alexander indicated that there was nothing new to report this month. Upon inquiry by Craig Curley, Mr. Alexander noted that will continue to advise the Commission with regard to any responses he receives from representatives from area courses concerning what they are experiencing with regard to decline or increase in play, etc.

Administration Report: Gerald Lombardo indicated that season passes and i.d.'s are being sold for the 2010 golf season; sales are up from last year at this time. Mr. Lombardo did meet with the First Selectman concerning the 2010-201 budget request; equipment requests as well as the truck for use at H. Smith Richardson were not approved by the First Selectman. Funding for drainage work will be removed from the budget request and put into bonding. The RTM will likely review this bonding request in April. Mr. Lombardo noted that he, Craig Curley and Will Mraz attended the February meeting of the Inland Wetland Agency in support of a request to extend an inland wetland permit which is due to expire, as well as a request for a modification of some of the outstanding conditions of that permit. The matter was tabled to the March meeting of the Inland Wetland Agency, and relates to a wetland permit pending for drainage improvements on the 11th hole.

Superintendent Report: Peter Grace reported that he and his staff are continuing to focus on tree work and equipment maintenance. Work that is being put out to bid includes repairs to the netting on the right side of the driving range, and extension of the left side.

- IV. Greens Committee Report: Nothing new to report.

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V. Old Business:

1. Memorial Bench Program: Craig Curley indicated that he had received some feedback with regard to the materials he had distributed at a previous meeting. Following discussion, Will Mraz *moved* and Fred Joseph *seconded* to approve the program suggested by Mr. Curley, with the following modification: the size of the bench shall be five (5') feet; and the cost of pavers shall be included. Upon inquiry by the public, Mr. Mraz indicated that following the donation of the memorial bench to the Town, any upkeep, including maintenance and costs for repairs or replacement due to vandalism would be the responsibility of the Town of Fairfield.
2. Revised 10-Year Plan – Status Update: Mr. Lombardo indicated that he had met with the First Selectman with regard to the 10 year plan. Mr. Flatto was responsive, and provided good information concerning the timing of the projects – such as using the figure of 100k per year, over the next ten years, as a guideline. Mr. Mraz thanked Craig Curley for his efforts in preparing the 10 year plan.
3. 2010 Golf Schedule: Barry Powlishen noted that he has prepared a golf reservation and tournament schedule for the various organizations. Although there were a few minor scheduling conflicts, these were reviewed and resolved this evening. Following discussion, Will Mraz *moved* and Fred Joseph *seconded* to approve the 2010 golf reservation and tournament schedule, as modified this evening. *Motion passed unanimously*. It was the consensus of the Commission to have Jim Alexander use his discretion with regard to resolving any scheduling conflicts which may arise for the Senior Group.

VI. New Business: None

VII. Public Input:

1. The Commission responded to public inquiry (18 Hole Group) concerning the policy regarding cart paths only – suggesting leaving any holes open, when possible.

At 8:29 p.m. Susan O'Donnell *moved* and Tammy Peterson *seconded* to go into private executive session to discuss personnel matters, and invited Staff. *Motion passed unanimously*. At 8:35 p.m. Susan O'Donnell *moved* and Tammy Peterson *seconded* to go back into public session. *Motion passed unanimously*. Craig Curley noted that no votes or motions were made during private executive session.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, Tammy Peterson *moved* and Fred Joseph *seconded* to adjourn at 8:45 p.m. *Motion passed unanimously*.

Respectfully submitted,
Betty Gabriel