

**GOLF COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 8, 2009**

The Golf Commission held their Regular Meeting on Wednesday, April 8, 2009 at The Orchards Golf Course, clubhouse. Chairman Austin called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

I. Roll Call

Commission Members Present

D. Worroll
G. Amato
R. Peruzzi
R. Austin
M. Blake

Also Present

Ald. J. Toohey
Ald. M. Hardiman

Excused: R. Weir, W. Healey

II. Consideration of Minutes of March 11, 2009

Commissioners Peruzzi and Amato made and seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held March 11, 2009 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

III. Chairman's Report

Chairman Austin commented it was nice to be back at the golf course. He reported the bills have been paid with the exception of Royal Flush. He stated he has worked out the discrepancy with them and will now submit it for payment. Chairman Austin also reported the course is in good shape and everything has been fixed and noted there is a new fixture in the men's room. He stated the air conditioning would be checked next.

IV. Unfinished Business

(a) Building Maintenance Project – Vice Chairman Worroll reported at last month's meeting the Commission approved the Phase II project. He went over the project proposal for those members who were not present last month. He stated the Commission still needs to agree on a color for the clubhouse and then the project would start shortly.

Commissioners Amato and Blake made and seconded a motion to have the clubhouse painted "Great Barrington Green. Motion carried unanimously.

Vice Chairman Worroll stated in order to discuss the update on the carts they would need a 2/3 vote to add it to the agenda.

Commissioners' Amato and Peruzzi made and seconded a motion to add to the agenda an Update on the Purchase/Lease of carts. Motion carried unanimously.

Update Purchase/Lease of Carts – Vice Chairman Worroll reported the contract was sent to him and he forwarded it to the City Attorney for review. Vice Chairman Worroll stated the City Attorney was unhappy with the language and potential liability to the City and explained his conversations with both the City Attorney and the vendor. He also reported he contacted Mr. Rosow to ask if the Commission could either look at another vendor or look into the possibility of buying the carts. He stated the cost to purchase two carts would be \$9,000.

Commissioner Amato asked what some of the liability issues were and if the City Attorney would have those same concerns if the Commission were to buy the carts.

Vice Chairman Worroll responded no. He stated he would suggest the Commission look into another rental or the possibly purchasing. Discussion ensued.

Chairman Austin stated if this Commission decides to purchase they would have to go out to bid and then have the City Attorney come up with the language. Discussion continued.

Mr. Peruzzi reminded the Commission of the storage constraints they are faced with and commented they may want to start with the purchase of one cart and see how it works out.

Vice Chairman Worroll stated he would get additional information and bring it to the next meeting.

(b) Proposed Course Improvements – Chairman Austin stated as part of course improvements they would have to discuss where to house the carts whether it be one or two. He suggested the possibility of pouring concrete at the end (to the left facing the clubhouse) or the possibility of some type of storage shed.

Vice Chairman Worroll pointed out under the contract that IGA is responsible to house the carts.

Chairman Austin noted concerning storage that IGA recently purchased a rough mower that will also need to be stored making space even tighter. Discussion ensued.

V. New Business

Vice Chairman Worroll reported he received a report on the rounds from Mr. Rosow, but they would need to add it to New Business by 2/3 vote.

Commissioners' Amato and Peruzzi made and seconded a motion to add under New Business Report on Rounds. Motion carried unanimously.

Report on Rounds:

March	2009	2008
MTD	532	556

The next meeting of the Golf Commission will be May 13, 2009 at The Orchards clubhouse at 5:30 p.m.

Being no further business, Commissioners Amato and Blake made and seconded a motion to adjourn at 5:55 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen K. Huber
Recording Secretary

(Note: Minutes are in draft form until approved by the Commission)