

**GOLF COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
JULY 9, 2014**

The Golf Commission held their Regular Meeting on Wednesday, July 9, 2014 at the Orchards Golf Course, in the clubhouse. Chairman Austin called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

I. Roll Call

Commission Members Present

R. Austin
R. Peruzzi
J. O'Connell
M. Blake
G. Amato
W. Healey
D. Worroll

Also Present

J. Fabrizio Tournament Turf Care
V. Fabrizio, Tournament Turf Care
J. Smith, Tournament Turf Care
J. Newland, Orchards Golf Course

II. Public Comment

None.

III. Consideration of Minutes – June 11, 2014

Commissioners' Amato and Peruzzi made and seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held June 11, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

IV. Chairman's Report

Chairman Austin commented the weather was improving. He reported balances in the accounts as of June 30, 2014. He stated the new monies were in place as of July 1, 2014.

V. Committee Reports

a) Planning Committee – Commissioner Healey reported he received an email from Chris at Prindle Hill Construction that they expect to mobilize around August 4. He stated they would be contacting the building department for a plan review, but that they are moving forward with the process. He went on to explain the work that will be done. Commissioner Healey also reported the first bill in the amount of \$18,525 was received from Prindle Hill Construction for the engineering and design work. He explained the retainage and the amount that would be held.

Commissioners' Healey and Amato made and seconded a motion to approve payment to Prindle Hill Construction in the amount of \$18,525 for the initial design and engineering work. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Healey also reported he met with the contractor and they could not match the exact color of the clubhouse, so the new building will be a dark green with silver roofing and white trim and should complement the main building very nicely. He stated the contractor hoped to be at the August meeting.

Commissioner Worroll asked if the total package of the building was \$272,935.

Commissioner Healey explained the total was \$300,000 which included the bill from Mr. Swift.

b) Financial Advisor –Commissioner Worroll reported the financials were as follows: Maintenance and Repair account \$29,214, secretarial fees \$600, water account \$26,000, Fund 18 \$76,000 and Open Space \$87,675.

VI. Unfinished Business

a) Update – Placement of Benches – Commissioner Amato reported everything is on track. He stated he contacted Mallico for the concrete bases. He explained generally the slabs are 4' x 8', but since they would be putting the washer on one of the slabs, so they were going with an 8' x 10' pad at tee 3. Commissioner Amato also reported the second bench would be placed by the sign and would be the standard 4' x 8' slab.

Commissioner Worroll asked if they would be permanent.

Commissioner Amato explained they would be bolted down.

VII. Management's Report (Tournament Turf Care, LLC)

Mr. Smith reported the course is in great shape. He stated they need to put two sprinkler heads on the tee that was recently worked on. He stated they received a price of \$750.00 for the two heads.

Mr. Newlan reported the driver's side seats on the carts is ripping and in need of being repaired and/or replaced. He stated they have been taping the seats, but it is a very temporary fix.

Commissioner Worroll stated he would contact New England Golf and find out the cost of replacement and/or seat cover.

Mr. Newlan also reported an individual recently recorded at score of 26, which is a course record. He asked if the Commission wished to recognize this individual.

Mr. Smith suggested management would frame and hang the score card.

Commissioner O'Connell asked if there was any damage to the 8th green.

Mr. Smith and Mr. Fabrizio both responded they had not received any report.

Mr. Smith stated there could have been a divot.

Mr. Newlan also reported the wooded area had been chopped and cleared out.

VIII. New Business

a) Report on Rounds – Mrs. Fabrizio reported the weather has been better, so rounds are somewhat better and they are closing the gap. She stated electric carts are up, as well as pull carts. She referred to the handout and explained the numbers.

Mr. Newlan commented that Father's Day was the busiest day he has seen in 10 years.

b) Contract negotiations with Tournament Turf Care – Commissioner O'Connell reported the committee had met and would be meeting again prior to next month's meeting. He requested next month's meeting take place at the Parson's complex so they have the ability to enter Executive Session, if necessary.

Chairman Austin asked Commissioner O'Connell if he had an update regarding the 3-wheeled carts.

Commissioner O'Connell stated the comments were all positive.

Chairman Austin stated he was hearing the bags fall off.

Commissioner Blake stated that would not happen if the bag were properly placed on the cart.

Mr. Newlan stated he has not received any complaints at all. He also stated he would like to have the Commission purchase additional divot mix caddies. He stated they seem to be working well. He suggested at a cost not to exceed \$40.

Commissioners Healey and Worroll made and seconded a motion to approve the purchase of eight (8) divot mix caddies at a cost not to exceed \$40.00.

Commissioner O'Connell stated the price seemed outrageous.

Commissioner Amato stated at the last meeting the Commission discussed moving the sign at the approach to tee box 6. He stated it has been moved and is now in a good place with good visibility.

Being no further business, Commissioners' Amato and O'Connell made and seconded a motion to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen K. Huber
Recording Secretary