

**GOLF COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 12, 2007**

The Golf Commission held their Regular Meeting on Wednesday, September 12, 2007 at the Orchards Golf Course in the Clubhouse. Vice Chairman D. Worroll called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT

D. Worroll
G. Amato
W. Healey
M. Blake
R. Peruzzi
R. Weir

ALSO PRESENT

Ald. J. Toohey
D. Rosow, IGG

Excused
R. Austin

Consideration of Minutes of August 8, 2007

Mr. Amato and Mrs. Blake moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held August 8, 2007.

It was noted that the meeting was called to order to Vice Chairman D. Worroll.

Motion carried unanimously as noted.

Old Business

Paving of the Parking lot – Vice Chairman Worroll reported the paving is on schedule for late September or early October. He also reported he has the names of two companies to get prices of the lining of the parking lot.

Mr. Amato asked the window of time.

Vice Chairman Worroll replied it would probably be October to have everything complete.

Mr. Healey asked if anyone had spoke with anyone specifically regarding the lining of the parking lot, i.e. parking spaces, etc. He suggested in the interest of time that someone come out ahead of time.

Vice Chairman Worroll stated one of the names he was given was Wydra. He stated he would contact both companies and have them come out to look at the configuration and also getting the most cars they can. He also noted a minor problem with the bag drop off and that it would be addressed. He stated the other company he would contact is Target lining.

Mr. Amato asked if they know about the curbing.

Vice Chairman Worroll noted they were looking for 250 additional spots of curbing and that they would also repair the broken curbing.

Mr. Rosow asked the exact scope of the project, specifically was it re-surfacing or expanding the parking lot.

Vice Chairman Worroll replied it was re-surfacing and also curbing along Kozlowski Drive.

Mr. Rosow asked about access to the course when this work is done and that it would seem there wouldn't be any.

Vice Chairman Worroll explained there would be no access to the course for half the day. He stated they would get a specific date and time and that they were probably looking at 6 hours of work.

Mr. Rosow expressed concern about emergency services and more significantly shutting down the course. He stated they may ask for a credit on the lease depending on the impact and stated he would discuss this with Mr. Austin.

Maintenance Area – Stone – Vice Chairman Worroll reported Public Works would drop off the stone for that area. He stated it is not a big area and that they would be able to do it.

Liquor Regulations – Vice Chairman Worroll reported he spoke with Mr. Rosow briefly earlier today and with the City Attorney the other day. He stated the City Attorney stated to him that because it is an enterprise she is unable to provide legal advice. Vice Chairman Worroll expressed concern with other issues such as permitting, liability, etc. He stated he did not feel this Commission was in a position to give permission to have alcohol on the property.

Mr. Peruzzi asked what would happen if someone provided their own insurance.

Vice Chairman Worroll stated it is City of Milford property and that IGG provides the lease. A discussion ensued as to liability concerns.

Mr. Healey spoke as to enforcing the existing rules and expressed the importance. Discussion resumed.

Carts – Vice Chairman Worroll reported there are several issues with regard to the carts. He stated he also discussed this with Mr. Rosow earlier today. He stated there are still a few things they would need to know, i.e. storage, liability, etc. He stated storage is one of the main issues.

Mr. Rosow spoke as to providing access to those who cannot walk around the course and stated he is for the concept but there are logistical concerns to be addressed. He stated liability is one issue. He explained his conversation with the insurance carrier and what goals would need to be obtained to minimize the liability issues. He stated another key is the title of the carts. He stated IGG would not accept title to the carts. He continued with a lengthy explanation.

Mr. Healey asked what would happen if they entered into an agreement with a cart company.

Mr. Rosow stated he did not believe that would be acceptable. Discussion ensued with regard to the logistics of having a cart.

Mr. Rosow stated IGG could administer the lease, registration of the carts, repairs to the course, etc. if revenue from the carts is returned to IGG. He stated they would have to look into some type of arrangement.

Vice Chairman Worroll asked about a storage area for the carts and also liability.

Mr. Rosow stated the donor of the carts would need liability insurance since the City is self-insured. He stated the original intent of the course was a walking course. Discussion continued.

Mr. Healey recommended this discussion be continued and that a sub-committee be formed to look into this further. He stated there is a lot to consider and that it could be done with a sub-committee. He stated it is a service they should provide.

Ald. Toohey stated she would be concerned with the amount of money recently spent to upgrade the course and asked what having carts would do to the day to day running of the course.

Mr. Rosow commented the threat would be the demand could grow and that the City may want more. He stated he did not believe that one or two carts would have an adverse affect. He stated he believed there would be minor damage to the course that will be noticeable.

Mr. Amato expressed concern with the growing use of the carts and availability.

Mrs. Blake spoke as to cart use at Short Beach where they use carts and she has noted very little damage there.

Mr. Rosow also pointed out as an example Fairfield, there is a small course there that was using carts and there was excessive damage.

Mr. Weir also spoke of how use of carts at Short Beach and stated he felt there would be a problem when you start placing restrictions. Discussion resumed.

Vice Chairman Worroll suggested the Commission check on liability and also look at some type of storage shed, costs and use of carts, will it be by everyone. He commented it might be easier to administer if it is open to everyone.

Mrs. Blake commented as to fees for the cart. She explained in Florida if two people are using the cart both pay.

Vice Chairman Worroll stated he would check into liability and would contact the City Attorney to see if course is under city insurance. He stated he would also check on costs for a shed.

Mr. Amato asked if they were looking to have this implemented for next fall.

Vice Chairman Worroll responded they would need to work on finalizing all the legalities.

Vice Chairman Worroll reported the signs are installed and look fantastic. He also noted the bill had been processed.

Mr. Amato also commented the sign looks great.

New Business

Vice Chairman Worroll reported on the following items: 1) toilet in the ladies room needs repair; 2) back door to the facility leaks; 3) they received a number of compliments on the new faucet in the ladies room; 4) they received a bill from Appaloosa for 14 custom plaques in the amount of \$42.00; and 5) a bill from Royal Elms in the amount of \$103.90.

Report on Rounds:

<u>June</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>Diff</u>
MTD	5,795	4,503	1,292
YTD	13,804	12,178	1,626

<u>July</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>Diff</u>
MTD	6,297	5,291	1,006
YTD	20,101	17,469	2,632

<u>August</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>Diff</u>
MTD	5,647	5,006	641
YTD	25,748	22,475	3,273

Mr. Rosow stated the 2007 rounds were much better due to the weather and noted they are up over 3,200 rounds. He stated they are very pleased and noted the golf course is handling the rounds very well.

The next meeting of the Golf Commission will be held on October 10, 2007 at the Orchards Golf Course.

Being no further business to discuss, Mr. Amato and Mr. Peruzzi moved to adjourn at 6:26 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen K. Huber
Recording Secretary