

**GOLF COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING  
JANUARY 9, 2008**

The Golf Commission held their Regular Meeting on Wednesday, January 8, 2008 at the Parsons Government Center, Conference Room A. Chairman R. Austin called the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m.

**COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT**

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

**ALSO PRESENT**

Ald. J. Toohey  
Ald. M. Hardiman

**Excused**  
W. Healey

**Consideration of Minutes of December 12, 2007**

Mrs. Blake and Mr. Peruzzi moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held December 12, 2007 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**Public Statements**

B. Dabrowski – no address given. He stated he inquired regarding a cart for the Orchards for people such as himself who are handicapped from walking. He explained what he was looking for. He also stated he has gone to Mayor Richetelli, Mr. O’Connell who were both going to look into it and that he still has not received an answer.

Chairman Austin commented this is not the first time someone has asked about a cart. He stated this inquiry was turned over to the legal department and that it is in their court until they can get all the facts.

Mr. Dabrowski stated he was not looking for a legal opinion, but that this was a moral obligation.

Chairman Austin replied it was not just a question of being moral. He stated there are a number of factors involved such as insurance, liability, purchase of carts and their cost, etc.

Vice Chairman Worroll added the Commission over the last few months has discussed this issue however, they need a legal opinion before they can proceed.

Mr. Dabrowski stated it sounded like they were passing the buck and that this Commission was saying that the City Attorney has held this up.

Chairman Austin commented he did not state it was being held up anywhere, only that it had been turned over to the legal office for opinion. He also reiterated the concerns the Commission has are with liability, insurance and also who is qualified for a cart. He stated for example, if there is only one cart on the course and several requests for it how would they determine who should get it. He stated the matter just isn't as cut and dry and it sounds. He also spoke as to the terrain at the cart and having the right type of cart.

Mr. Dabrowski asked if anyone had been to Stratford besides Mrs. Blake.

Mr. Weir responded he has and noted they wrestle with so many issues every day. He explained they have 8 carts and that it is based on a first come, first serve basis.

Chairman Austin added the Town of Stratford receives \$400,000 of taxpayer dollars. He also stated you really cannot compare the two courses.

Mr. Worroll stated this Commission is looking for guidance before making any decision.

Mr. Weir added this is not the first time the issue of carts has come up and noted he has been a member of this Commission since the beginning and they have looked at this issue for sometime.

Mr. Peruzzi added they needed to work together and that it could take time.

Chairman Austin stated Mr. Rosow would be forwarding to the Mayor's Office the Management Company's opinion. He also noted that carts were fund put into this year's budget.

### **Nomination of Officers**

Mr. Worroll and Mr. Weir made and seconded a motion to nominate Mr. Austin as Chairman of the Golf Commission. Hearing no other nominations, nominations were closed and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Austin and Mr. Amato made and seconded a motion to nominate Mr. Worroll as Vice Chairman of the Golf Commission. Hearing no other nominations, nominations were closed and the motion carried unanimously.

### **Chairman's Report**

Chairman Austin reported there was a break-in at the clubhouse last week. He stated there was no damage other than the broken glass from the window. He stated it may be time to consider an alarm system and that this is something that has been considered in the past.

Mr. Worroll stated he was able to get a quote from Riteway Alarms for a burglar alarm and explained the type of system. He stated the cost to install would be \$1,320 and to monitor it \$240 a year.

Mr. Amato and Mr. Peruzzi made and seconded a motion to accept the proposal of Riteway Alarm Company in install the burglar alarm and also for the yearly monitor fee of \$240. Motion carried unanimously.

## **Unfinished Business**

Painting of the Clubhouse (interior) – Chairman Austin deferred to Mr. Peruzzi.

Mr. Peruzzi stated he obtained several quotes for the painting of the interior portion of the clubhouse. He stated one was extremely high and that the person did not have any type of license. He stated he received a second quote of \$2,700 which he also felt was on the high side and finally a third quote in the amount of \$2,485. He explained the quote included taping of the ceiling in the ladies room (where a minor leak occurred), some minor damage to the wall behind the door and well as prepping the entire room. He stated the quote also included the use of premium paint such as Benjamin Moore.

Mr. Peruzzi and Mr. Weir made and seconded a motion to accept the quote of Painting and Paper Hanging in the amount of \$2,485 and that all work shall be completed before March 2008 as stated in the quote. Motion carried unanimously.

Traps – Chairman Austin deferred to Mr. Rosow.

Mr. Rosow reported he is working with Mike to get information for the Commission and would get back to the Commission next month.

## **New Business**

Report on Rounds:

<b><u>December</u></b>	<b><u>2007</u></b>	<b><u>2006</u></b>
MTD	57	549
YTD	36,753	33,334

Mr. Rosow commented that rounds are up and note weather really was spectacular this year. Mr. Rosow also noted with regard to the issue of carts that he would have a first draft to Mr. O'Connell next week.

Mr. Weir and Mr. Amato made and seconded a motion to accept the Golf Commission's meeting schedule for January 2008 through December 2008. Motion carried unanimously.

**The next meeting of the Golf Commission will be held on February 13, 2008 at the Parsons Government Center, Conference Room A (first floor) beginning at 5:30 p.m.**

Mr. Amato and Mr. Worroll moved to adjourn at 6:09 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen K. Huber  
Recording Secretary

