

**GOLF COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 13, 2015**

The Golf Commission held their Regular Meeting on Wednesday, January 14, 2015 at the Orchards Golf Course, in the clubhouse. Acting Chairman Amato called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

I. Roll Call

Commission Members Present

G. Amato, Jr.
M. Blake
R. Peruzzi
J. O'Connell
D. Worroll

Also Present

J. Smith, Tournament Turf Care
J. Fabrizio, Tournament Turf Care
K. Dawid, Orchards Golf Course

II. Public Comment

None.

III. Consideration of Minutes

Commissioners O'Connell and Worroll made and seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held March 11, 2015. Motion carried unanimously.

IV. Chairman's Report

Acting Chairman Amato explained that Chairman Austin would not be in attendance due to a recent injury and that he would be out for approximately 5-6 weeks.

Acting Chairman Amato commented on the dedication of the new maintenance building this evening and that it had been well received.

V. Committee Reports

a) Planning Committee – Commissioner Healey reported on the progress of the maintenance building. Commissioner Healey requested that the Board approve an invoice from Prindle Hill in the amount of \$8,239.34. He explained that this is not the final bill and that \$2,400 is being held back for repair of the fence in addition to the retainage. Upon receipt of the final bill for the building Commissioner Healey indicated that he would suggest reducing the retainage from 5% to 2.5%.

Commissioners O'Connell and Worroll made and seconded a motion authorizing payment of Application #9 to Prindle Hill in the amount of \$8,239.85. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Healey discussed a change order in the amount of \$1,320 with Prindle Hill changing the fence opening to 12 feet to allow for large truck deliveries. He also requested the Commission approve an invoice to Orange Fence in the amount of \$1,680.00 for the installation of wood rail fence on the course.

Commissioners Worroll and O'Connell made and seconded a motion authorizing payment to Orange Fence in the amount of \$1,680.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Healey then indicated that Prindle Hill has a verbal CO from the City and the maintenance crew can begin moving into the building. Commissioner Healey indicated that additional trees had been added between 6 and 7 as approved last fall and the fencing and shrubbery behind 3 was still pending. Commissioner Healey reported he emailed Jim Swift in regard to reconfiguration of the parking lot. Also, he spoke with Tim Maher concerning Bogans Tree Service and work needed on the course. Bogans has a grinding machine and has provided an estimate of \$975.00 to grind stumps, remove leaning trees and dispose of debris.

b) Financial Advisor –Commissioner Worroll reported the amounts in the accounts as of May 14, 2015. He also reported the Fund 18 balance as \$121,000 and Open Space Fund as \$127,339. Commissioner Worroll discussed the maintenance and repair account balance is low and that it may require a transfer to carry through the end of the fiscal year.

Commissioners Healey and Peruzzi made and seconded a motion to transfer \$10,000 from Fund 18 to the maintenance and repair account. Motion carried unanimously.

VII. Unfinished Business

Commissioner Healey reported that he had allocated \$400 for fencing and shrubbery behind 3 and that an additional \$250 was needed.

Commissioners Worroll and Peruzzi made and seconded a motion to increase the amount for fencing and shrubbery behind to by \$250. Motion carried unanimously.

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

J. Smith reported that everything looks good, the course is dry and everyone seems to be happy.

J. Fabrizio passed out the rounds report. He noted that the electric car rentals are up from last year and the pull carts remain the same as last year. April was a positive month, the new rates went into effect and there have been no issues or complaints.

IX. New Business

Commissioner O'Connell reported that spoke with Steve Johnson, Open Space Manager for the City who had walked the abutting site with the Inland/Wetlands Commission. Mr. Johnson noticed invasive species on the course boundary that can cause damage and has offered to walk the course with the Commissioner O'Connell.

Commissioner O'Connell commented on the tree pruning that has been done and does not feel it was aggressive enough. He would like to see the tree company back in the Fall to do more work. Commissioner Amato asked if the black walnut tree would require pruning. Commissioner O'Connell replied he would check with the tree company when they come back out.

Commissioner O'Connell questioned whether the trees planted between 6 and 7 were in the right place and would grow fast enough to block a "lofted" shot. J. Fabrizio commented that that danger is a "stinger" shot and that the trees are properly placed to protect from such a shot.

Commissioner Amato asked about the progress of additional benches. Commissioner Worroll reported that there has not been much progress and that he will be leaving bench forms with the office.

Commissioners Healey and O'Connell made and seconded a motion to hire Bogans Tree Service to do tree and stump work for \$975. Motion carried unanimously.

Being no further business, Commissioners O'Connell and Worroll made and seconded a motion to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Toni Jo Weeks", written over a horizontal line.

Toni Jo Weeks
Recording Secretary