

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

The Golf Commission held their Regular Meeting on Wednesday, December 12, 2007 at the Parsons Government Center, Conference Room A. Chairman R. Austin called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT

R. Austin
D. Worroll
R. Peruzzi
W. Healey
M. Blake

ALSO PRESENT

Ald. J. Toohey
Ald. M. Hardiman

Excused
G. Amato
R. Weir

Consideration of Minutes of November 14, 2007

Mr. Peruzzi and Mrs. Blake moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held November 14, 2007. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman's Report

Chairman Austin stated he would discuss the painting of the clubhouse under "Unfinished Business" and after the Commission had a chance to review the quotes received. He also reported the company that does the radios sent an invoice for renewal for next year in the amount of \$700.00. He stated there was no increase and that it is the same as last year. He stated he believe it was a good thing and that it has been accurate and asked the Board their pleasure.

Mr. Worroll and Mrs. Blake made and seconded a motion to pay the invoice in the amount of \$700.00 from the "Maintenance and Replacement" account for the renewal of the weather horn/radio system. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Austin reported the water bill was approved by the Board of Aldermen last month and has been paid.

Mr. Peruzzi asked the amount they would be requesting in next year's budget.

Chairman Austin replied he believe it would be \$20,000 which is a \$3,000 increase about the same amount they were short. He explained the increase in water and that it was based on usage.

Mr. Healey asked about the budget and if the Commission members could get a copy.

Chairman Austin replied yes it was public knowledge and was available through City Hall or the Finance Office. He noted the Golf Commission budget is on page 49.

Mr. Healey asked who prepares the budget and if it is a process similar to that of the department heads.

Chairman Austin responded the budget amounts to just three accounts. He explained the accounts are water, maintenance and replacement fund and secretarial fees. He stated there also is the depreciation fund but that they do not spend from that account. A brief discussion ensued as to the budget and the enterprise fund account and disbursements.

Unfinished Business

Paving of the Parking lot – Chairman Austin reported everything has been completed. He noted the paving company re-paved the area discussed at last month's meeting.

Carts – Mr. Rosow stated he had prepared a proposal for the City. Chairman Austin asked if Mr. Rosow would contact Mr. O'Connell in the Mayor's Office to set up an appointment for after the first of the year. Mr. Rosow commented it was his understanding the Commission is in favor of carts.

Chairman Austin stated they never took a vote.

Mr. Healey stated he wished to keep an open mind, but that he was leaning in favor of it. He stated he did not wish to shut the door.

Mr. Worroll commented they need to look at many aspects as well as liability.

Traps – Chairman Austin reported it is possible they would do something next month with this.

Painting of the Clubhouse (interior) – Chairman Austin explained he received two quotes from CWJ Painting. He stated the two prices vary depending on what needs to be done. He explained the first quote is in the amount of \$2,800, which would be for doors, windows and trim in the clubhouse including all prep work, color. The second quote in the amount of \$3,850 would be the same as stated above but would also include ceilings and walls in the clubhouse as well as the restrooms, office and common area. Chairman Austin asked the Commission how they wished to proceed. He stated he would recommend they get through the holidays and take a look at this after the first of the year.

Mr. Healey suggested they get other quotes.

Mr. Healey and Mr. Peruzzi made and seconded a motion to table this until the January, 2008 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

New Business

Report on Rounds:

<u>November</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>Diff.</u>
MTD	1,256	1,616	-360
YTD	36,696	32,785	+3,911

Chairman Austin commented it has been a great year overall and that the course is in great shape.

Mr. Healey added he was at the course about a week ago and that it looks great and that they did not great job with the leaves, clean up, etc.

Mr. Healey asked if management was looking into anything else for the upcoming year besides the traps.

Mr. Rosow stated there are two general bucket projects. He explained one would be a bunker project, which would essentially include the drainage in the bunker. He stated he would recommend they renovate bunkers 4, 6 and 8. He stated he does not have any quotes as yet, but the scope of the work would be for drywells to be constructed with proper drainage. He stated this would serve the course in the future. He stated an estimated cost would be approximately \$7,000 per bunker and that the contractor believes it could be done during the months of January, February and March.

Chairman Austin asked about sand and it being too fine. Discussion ensued as to the construction of the bunkers and Mr. Rosow explained the construction as well as an explanation as to the sand.

Mr. Worroll asked about getting another price.

Mr. Healey asked about the company that did the recent work On-Course.

Mr. Rosow responded that is who gave this price.

Chairman Austin asked if Mr. Rosow would put together a letter with recommendations.

Mr. Healey asked about an issue with play and play backing up. He asked about adding another bunker up front.

Mr. Rosow responded he would avoid creating another bunker. He stated he would suggest removing bunkers if possible because of the type of course and they of play. He also spoke as to another area they were looking at with regard to the ladies tees. He stated he would propose renovating one or two, however, with the amount of money recently spent on renovations on the course he would wait on this. He explained the tees and spoke as to the blend of grasses in that area. He suggested it would be proper down the road to renovate those types of tees and that it was nothing critical, just an area they were looking at.

Mr. Healey asked about the weed project on #9 and if it had been completed.

Mr. Rosow responded yes.

Mr. Peruzzi asked about the new rules sign.

Mr. Rosow stated it has been removed and put away for the winter months.

Mr. Worroll introduced the new Board of Aldermen liaison, Marty Hardiman.

Chairman Austin wished the Commission best wishes during the holiday season.

The next meeting of the Golf Commission will be held on January 9, 2008 at the Parsons Government Center, Conference Room A (first floor) beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Being no further business to discuss, Mr. Healey and Mr. Peruzzi moved to adjourn at 6:08 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen K. Huber
Recording Secretary