

**Golf Commission
Regular Meeting
January 11, 2023**

The Golf Commission held its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, January 11, 2023, at the Orchard Golf Course, in the clubhouse. Chairman Amato called the meeting to order 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Members Present:

G. Amato
W. Healey
J. O'Connell
D. Worroll
K. Hurley
N. Veccharelli

Also Present:

R. McNeil, NE Golf
H. Mulrenan, Aldermanic Liaison

Excused:

B. Nash

Election of Officers

Commissioners Worroll and Veccharelli made and seconded a motion to nominate George Amato as Chairman.

Hearing no other nominations, nominations for Chairman were closed, with the secretary casting one vote.

Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Amato thanked the Commissioners for the vote of confidence.

Commissioners Worroll and Veccharelli made and seconded a motion to nominate William Healey as Vice Chairman.

Hearing no other nominations, nominations for Vice Chairman were closed with the secretary casting one vote.

Motion carried unanimously.

Vice Chairman Healey thanked the Commissioners for the nomination.

Public Comment

None.

Consideration of minutes of November 9, 2022

Commissioners O'Connell and Healey made and seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on November 9, 2022, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman's Report

Chairman Amato stated Kathy Kennedy has resigned as recording secretary. He stated she is retiring from the City to focus more on her legislative duties as a State Representative. He thanked her for her years of services to the Commission. Chairman Amato stated it is his understanding the current operating agreement has been fully executed and copies should be forthcoming.

Chairman Amato appointed Commissioner Healey as liaison with management; Commissioners Worroll, O'Connell and Veccharelli as finance; Commissioner Vecchrelli as liaison with Mayor and Board of Aldermen; and Commissioner Hurley as liaison with golf leagues.

Committee Reports

a. Building and Grounds –

Commissioner Healey reported that all projects are completed. He stated he was not satisfied with the doghouse louvers and that he spoke with the contractor and they are not acceptable. Commissioner Health stated the trees are in and should be okay until spring. He stated he had discussions with Jeremy Grant, Open Space and Natural Resource Manager, and he suggested using potted trees in the future.

b. Financial Report.

Commissioner Worroll reported the following account balances:

Repair and Maintenance, \$1,070
Water, \$5,647
Secretarial, \$550.00
Postage, \$50.00
Projects \$7,883
Open Space \$216,120.00
Golf Fund 18 \$225,089

Commissioner stated the Open Space and Fund 18 balances will change once management present checks for last year. He stated the requisition for commemorative flags and pins discussed at the last meeting is in process. Commissioner Veccharelli inquired about the purchase of a cart this year. Discussion ensued concerning purchasing of carts and the need to for a larger cart storage building.

Unfinished Business

None

Management Report

Robert McNeil stated the new season is starting up. He stated they course will be open Saturday for 1 week provided the weather cooperates. Mr. McNeil stated the tee times are filling up and the 2023 rates have been posted. Mr. McNeil discussed irrigation repairs planned for the coming year and that maintenance and repair will begin next week.

New Business

Report on Rounds – Mr. McNeil distributed the report on rounds. He stated that after subtracting school usage there was a total of 33,171 rounds last year. Mr. McNeil stated this is 3.7% less than the prior year. He stated the extreme heat and dry weather kept the rounds down. Mr. McNeil commented the numbers are returning to post-covid demand and that he expects to hold at the mid to low 30's this coming year. He stated given the size of the course those numbers are exceptional.

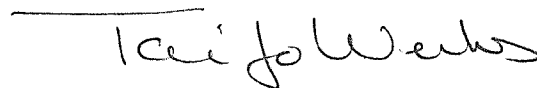
Approval of 2023 Meeting Schedule – Commissioner Amato presented the proposed 2023 meeting schedule for approval and stated he would like to return the meeting time to 5:30 p.m. Commissioner Veccharelli stated the October dated should October 11.

Commissioners Healey and Worroll made and seconded a motion to approve the 2023 meeting schedule with meeting time of 5:30 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Being no further business, Commissioners O'Connell and Worroll made and seconded a motion to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Toni Jo Weeks
Recording Secretary