

GOLF COMMISSION
Monday, August 8, 2022
7:00pm

Fairfield Parks & Recreation Conference Room
75 Mill Plain Road, Fairfield, CT
& Via Conference Call Bridge

DRAFT MINUTES

Members Present: Vice Chair Peter Secrist, Michael Feinstein, Mike Herrington, Christine Hogan, Priscilla Schulz

Members Absent: Chair Keith Varian, Liam Herron

Others Present: Golf Pro Bob Bigonette

1. Call to order

Vice Chair Peter Secrist called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Vice Chair Secrist led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Act on minutes of 7/11/22

Priscilla Schulz made a motion to approve the minutes from 7/11/22 as written. Mike Herrington seconded the motion which carried 3-0-2 (P.Secrist, M. Feinstein abstained)

4. Staff Reports

a. Pro Manager Report

Golf Pro Bob Bigonette said it continues to be busy. Tee times are challenging but fair. 80 Golf Carts have been ordered. The Ladies had their 50th anniversary invitational and they had a great event. The HSR 50th Anniversary golf and dinner was successful. Christine Hogan wanted to recognize Bob Bigonette for organizing such a great event on his own. There are ten solid outings scheduled and four to five smaller outings. The venue is attracting more people.

b. Administration Report

Parks and Recreation Director Anthony Calabrese was unable to attend the meeting, but Vice Chair Secrist said July was a very strong month. Revenue for non-resident passes is consistently less than last year. Four up does make it harder for non-residents to sign up than residents so that could be affecting the numbers. It hasn't affected revenue because the income is up. The leagues are at capacity. Cart rentals are up because it has been too hot to walk. There is no update on the Trackman simulator.

c. Superintendent Report

Superintendent Peter Grace was not in attendance. Bob Bigonette said the course looks good and the greens have come back. There is a tree limb in the way on the 9th hole that needs to be addressed. They will set up a walk through for the 10-year plan. Peter is waiting for an irrigation bid from Purchasing because he doesn't have equipment.

5. Greens Committee Report

Priscilla Schulz said the greens are coming back beautifully. There is grass seed on the 14th hole and she has requested sand to fill the divots on the women's forward tees.

6. Par 3 Committee Report

The commission members present haven't played the Par 3 recently, so they couldn't give a report.

7. To hear and or act upon old business:

a. 50th Anniversary Celebration

The last scheduled event will take place at the Par 3 in September. It was moved from August. The event is free for kids enrolled in the golf programs. The date is Saturday, September 3rd. It will be carnival themed.

b. HSR-Long Term Capital Improvement Plan

There is nothing else to update at this time

8. To hear and or act upon new business

a. Trackman Simulators

No update.

9. Communications

a. Public Comment and emails

There were no new emails to discuss.

10. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

11. Adjourn

Mike Feinstein made a motion to adjourn. Mike Herrington seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:22pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Pru O'Brien
Recording Secretary