GOLF COMMISSION MEETING

January 9, 2017 – 4:30pm 115 Pleasant Street City Hall Annex, Room 103

Present: Jeffrey Gallant, Michael Budwick, David Noyes (phone).

In Attendance: William Frank, Golf Course Superintendent, Dan Berry, Pro Manager

Absent: Karen Deneen
Minute Taker: Katherine Moore

The meeting opened at 4:30 p.m.

Jeffrey Gallant then asked if anyone was audio or video taping the meeting. No one was.

Election of Officers

Mike Budwick nominated Jeffrey Gallant as Chairman of the Commission. Seconded by Dave Noyes.

2-0. So voted.

Mike Budwick nominated Jeffrey Gallant as Financial Chairman of the Commission. Seconded by Dave Noyes. 2-0. So voted.

Mike Budwick nominated David Noyes as Assistant Financial Chairman of the Commission. Seconded by Jeff Gallant. 2-0. So voted.

Jeffrey Gallant nominated Mike Budwick as Secretary of the Commission. Seconded by Dave Noyes. 2-0. So voted.

Mike Budwick made a motion to accept the minutes of December 19, 2016 as written. Seconded by David Noyes. 3-0. So voted.

Correspondence was received from Elizabeth Penney, Director of Member Services & Programs of The Greater Gardner Chamber of Commerce requesting Wednesday, August 2, 2017 as the date for the 2017 Robert Langlois Memorial Tournament. Mike Budwick made a motion to approve Wednesday, August 2, 2017 as the date for the 2017 Robert Langlois Memorial

Tounament with a shotgun style format beginning at 10:00 a.m. Seconded by Dave Noyes. 3-0. So voted.

There was no new business.

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Dan Berry gave his report. He enclosed an article from the Worcester Telegram and Gazette by Jay Gearan, Correspondent, about the re-birth of Municipal Golfers Inc. as an informational thing. Gardner

Municipal Golfer's Inc. was founded in March 1982 to make improvements to Gardner Municipal Golf Course. Mike Hermanson, retired GMGC Superintendent, is now leading it. Dan reported that it can be used as a marketing tool for fundraising. It was created so Mike Hermanson could make capital improvements. They provided funding for the irrigation system, the range, by paying for the purchase of the land and paid for a quarter of the cost to build the maintenance building.

Dan Berry expressed his thanks and appreciation to the outgoing Administrative Coordinator, Kathy Moore who will be retiring on January 23, 2017.

Dan also reported that he has cleaned up and done the inventory at the Pro Shop and has sent his first email out to the membership with the new membership rates. He stated the tournament meeting for the selections of their requested dates will be done at the February meeting.

Bill Frank reported that his employees will have reduced hours, 20 hours per week, starting on Monday, January 16, 2017 for the winter. He also added that he is pricing for and old sand trap machine. He has gotten an estimated cost of \$950.00 for a used sand trap machine. He stated that he has been borrowing one from the Winchendon School for the past three months.

Bill also stated that he is having tree work done and is getting the equipment ready for spring.

There were no commissioner's reports.

Jeff Gallant then went over the financial reports. Receipts this year are \$333,000.00 compared to \$340,000.00 last year. Expenses are approximately \$314,000.00 which is still under our receipts. There being no further questions, Mike Budwick made a motion to approve the financial report as given. Seconded by Dave Noyes. 3-0. So voted.

Jeff Gallant then went over the budget for the next fiscal year. Jeff suggested the total of the budget be \$759,622.00. Last year's budget was \$752,072.00. The commission will look it over and vote on it at the February meeting.

David Noyes made a motion to accept the financial report as given. Seconded by Mike Budwick. 2-0. So voted.

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The next meeting has been scheduled for Monday, February 13, 2017 at 4:30. The location to be decided before the next meeting.

Jeff Gallant then presented Kathy Moore with a gift of appreciation for assisting the Gardner Golf Commission.

David Noyes made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Michael Budwick. 3-0. So voted.

The meeting adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted. Katherine Moore

All documentation mentioned in these minutes may be reviewed at the Golf Commission office. Minutes, Agendas and Golf Commission Policies may be viewed on line at www.gardner-ma.gov.