

## **GOLF COMMISSION MEETING**

Monday, May 22, 2023

4:30pm, Mayor's Conference Room

**Present:** Jeff Gallant, David Noyes, Aleksander Dernalowicz, Ann Twohig

**In Attendance:** Bill Frank, Dan Berry

**Minute Taker:** Christine Meagher

Jeff Gallant called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM and noted that the meeting was being videotaped and will be posted to the City's You Tube account.

Gallant states the first item on the agenda is the approval of the meeting minutes from April 3<sup>rd</sup> and April 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting. Aleksander Dernalowicz makes a motion to accept the minutes as presented. David Noyes & Ann Twohig second the motion for approval of the minutes. 3-0 *vote granted.*

**Old Business:** Gallant asks if there is any old business. Gallant asks Dernalowicz if the Golf Commission Policies were sent to John Flick. Dernalowicz states he thought Gallant had sent them to Flick. Gallant states he will send them to John Flick.

**New Business:** Gallant asks if there is any new business. No responses.

**Dan Berry Update:** Gallant asks Dan Berry for his update. Berry states there are 649 memberships as of today, the course may end up a little down from last year of 800 memberships. The Golf Course will be advertised on WXLO, with the mayor's consent. Two new employees just started, and Berry is looking to hire a couple more high-school students. Berry states the last thing to go over is, the new Golf Now POS hardware soon, it has shipped. Mid-June is when the software will be changing over, and we should all be trained by that point. There will be a bit of a learning curve, but it should not be too bad.

**Bill Frank Update:** Bill Frank states there one good size project that needs to be started, it is replacing the inlet pipe coming into the pump house. If it collapses, there is no water, and it is clogging all the sprinkler heads. As we all know, anything to do with Crystal Lake is very expensive and takes a long time. The entire process is very slow and may cost about \$30K. Dernalowicz states that the city has hired an outside firm that researches grants and hopefully there will be a grant that can help. Frank says that's all I have at this time. Ann Twohig asks is there an update on five and the cart path. Franks states he is unsure what is going to happen their long term, there is rock, ledge and electrical. It is a major project. Best idea for now is to drive slow on the cart path.

**Correspondence:** Gallant states the only correspondence we have is this golf tournament 'Keep S'Myelin for Katie'. Gallant asks if it can be posted at the Pro-shop.

**Commission Members Comments and Reports:** Gallant asks Dave Noyes if he has any comment. Noyes states he is hearing the Course looks great despite the harsh winter. Franks says thanks and he will tell his guys. Noyes states he is hearing a lot of negative comments related to the 'pace of play' and the later starting times regarding tournament starting times. Discussion starts regard 10:30 starting times. Noyes makes a motion for Tee times to start at 8:30 am, Gallant asks for a second. Dernalowicz seconds the motion then amends the motion to 9:00. Ann Twohig seconds the amended motion. Berry states that he will begin to publicize the 9:00 start time immediately. Discuss continues regarding course sponsored tournaments only will have 9:00 Tee times. Noyes asks if more discussion regarding 'pace of play'. Berry states that he spoke with Deb Pond regarding the VIPs program people and if they could be golf rangers. VIPS program has not started yet. Discussion regarding reasons for long play time- lost balls and golfers taking more than the allotted three minutes to look for it also older golfers may contribute to slower play. Motion for 9:00am Tee time *granted* in 3-0 vote.

Twohig asks Berry if there is any information regarding orientation for Junior members. Berry response that the orientation idea has not gotten off the ground. Berry states he will try to talk with Todd to try to organize something on Sunday nights.

Discussion regarding bottom Tee being closed and placing a bunker somewhere for practice. Frank states he can work on it.

**Financials:** Gallant states looking at the YTD Financial report \$993k, last week is not recorded on this yet. The expenses \$870k includes \$205k from the indirect costs. Gallant states he spoke with John Richard and some money needs to be transferred. Gallant states he will be transferring \$150k, related to \$48k for the equipment arrival and supply prices over the past year have gone up. Gallant asks if there are any questions regarding the financials. Dernalowicz gives a motion to accept the financials and Noyes seconded the motion *granted* in 3-0 vote.

Gallant states the next meeting will be June 12th and June 26th at 4:30 PM.

Motion to adjourn by David Noyes, seconded by Aleksander Dernalowicz. 3-0 vote *granted*.

The meeting adjourned at 5:03 PM.

Respectfully submitted.  
Christine Meagher  
Administrative Coordinator