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Minutes of the E. Gaynor Brennan Golf Commission; October 22, 2019

Present were: R. Tyska, T. Birkett, M. Briscoe

Absent: A. Brantner

Staff: B. Ukperaj, H. Nagashima, V. Levin, A. Aulenti

Public: None

Chairman Tyska called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Adoption of the Agenda

Mr. Briscoe made a motion to approve the agenda. Seconded by Mr. Birkett. **Motion passed unanimous.**

Reading of the Minutes

Mr. Birkett made a motion to approve the minutes for the September 17, 2019 meeting. Seconded by Mr. Briscoe. **Motion passed unanimous.**

Comments from the Public

Nothing to report.

Monthly Report

Mr. Ukperaj gave a brief fiscal report for the month of September. Rounds were up for the month and cart ridership remained high. Mr. Briscoe made a motion to accept the fiscal report. Mr. Birkett seconded. **Motion passed unanimous.**

Supt. of Greens Report

Mr. Nagashima reported the golf course continued to improve. New rough mower and greens roller have been used immediately. Aerating of target areas and a deep tine aeration of greens were performed. 19 tons of lime were applied to fairways. Mr. Nagashima outlined work being done for the course re-routing project and future winter work. Mr. Tyska asked about top dressing greens with Mr. Nagashima explaining smaller holes of our aeration along with the difficulty of how our top dresser drops sand lead to not applying a top dressing for now. Mr. Tyska mentioned some fence areas need cleaning and a drainage pipe in the right side bunker of the 17th hole. Compliments were given by all members of the commission about the conditions of the golf course.

Greens Committee

A brief discussion was had on raising fees for the next year. Mr. Tyska referenced a percentage increase and ideas shared. Rate discussion to be continued in the future.

Personnel Committee

Nothing to report.

Finance Committee

Nothing to report.

House Committee

Nothing to report.

Pro-Shop Committee

Mr. Levin reported on activity in the Golf Shop. Reduction of staff is slowly under way with daylight and time changes. Crossover tee times on the weekend will be upcoming the second week of November. Mr. Levin expressed the need of changing set up of the water coolers as it is difficult for rangers to change water. A discussion was had on fall into winter rates. Mr. Levin gave an idea to have full rates to be offered during the crossover on the weekend with twilight after, and during the week to have mid day rates in the morning with twilight starting at noon. Mr. Birkett made a motion to accept the rate plan as Mr. Levin presented. Seconded by Mr. Briscoe. **Motion passed unanimous.**

Mr. Levin also reported on offering non residents a deal through several options in Connecticut golf books. Brief discussion on marketing and social media was had between members. Positive feedback from golfers on conditions and direction of the golf course.

Union Business

Nothing to report.

Correspondence

Nothing to report.

Request for use of the Golf Course

Nothing to report.

Outing Request

Nothing to Report.

League Requests

Nothing to report.

Old Business

Mr. Ukperaj presented updated quotes for Bathroom Upgrades, which were reviewed. Mr. Tyska directed to check with purchasing department to see if the quotes will be acceptable and how to proceed. Seconded by Mr. Briscoe. **Motion passed unanimous.**

Mr. Nagashima gave an update on course layout project. Canio has started work on the approach area and staff has helped out doing work around the area to help out.

Mr. Tyska reported purchase of the Toro rough mower and greens roller have been complete. Mr. Nagashima added new equipment is being used and working great.

Mr. Tyska reported that the smoking ban has been put on pending but representatives have been accepting to excluding the golf course from the ban, with the same result on the chemical ban excluding the golf course.

New Business

A discussion was held on possibility of opening up City Amateur Golf Championship to non residents or non resident permit holders. Discussion to continue in future.

Mr. Birkett made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Briscoe seconded. **Motion passed unanimous.**

Meeting ended 6:59 pm.

Respectfully submitted



Bekim Ukperaj
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