



The Town of Barnstable

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GOLF COMMITTEE

August 13th 2019

5:30 PM

Olde Barnstable Fairgrounds Golf Course

Minutes: APPROVED

Roll Call:	RICHARD ALIBERTI	Present
	GEOFFREY CONVERSE	Present (6pm)
	JOHN COOKSON	Present
	RON MATROS	Absent
	KEITH HOCHSTEIN	Present
	SUSANNE CONLEY	Present

ALSO PRESENT: BRUCE MCINTYRE, CHRIS WHITE, NANCY BEAUCHAMP

Chair Hochstein reads statement in accordance with MGL Ch. 30.A.S.20 regarding public taping at meetings- No one responds as taping the meeting

Public Comments;

Brain Conway- I have been a member for the past 23 years and I am concerned with what is going on at our courses.

Act on the Minutes of the July 9, 2019 Meeting – Richard Aliberti asked the secretary to check to see who nominated Keith as the chair he felt it was him not Geoff. John Cookson requested a punctuation change to the minutes and questioned the Mark Ells portion. Bruce explained the Mark Ells portion to John and the committee.

Motion duly made by John Cookson to approve the minutes of the July 9th meeting with punctuation and amendments requested on page 1. Seconded by Susanne Conley

VOTE: ALL IN FAVOR

Discussion of Minutes- Chair Hochstein mentioned he went to Town Hall to review a few topics with the clerks about meeting and minutes. The minutes are to be a summary of the meeting and the recorded video copy is the official recorded meeting.

Financial Report - Nancy Beauchamp

Nancy went over some key numbers for FY 2019. The season showed 2.8% growth in revenues for both courses. With the weather and challenges we faced it is good growth. OBF did \$119k in pro shop sales with a per cap of \$3.18 per customer and Hyannis had \$161k in pro shop sales with a per cap of \$5.14 per customer. Susanne asked about the restaurant rent and how that works at each course. Nancy explained some of the differences between each course and how the collection process works. Nancy also went over the expense portion of her report. John Cookson asked about the \$339k from the general fund. Nancy explained how it all works with the transfer to and from the general fund to cover

the long term debt for the purchase of Hyannis Golf Course and other large projects and equipment purchases at both courses, also the indirect administrative costs given to us by the Town of Barnstable. Susanne asked about a few numbers on the report also. Topic Discussed

Chair Hochstein asked for a motion on the financial report

Motion duly made by Richard Aliberti to approve the Financial Report Seconded by John Cookson VOTE: ALL IN FAVOR

Update on Green Initiative - McIntyre/White

Bruce- We are 3 months into a 3 year process. Many changes have occurred and we will continue to see them as time goes on. Dr. Rossi and Matt weaver from Civitas feel that we experienced less turf loss than anticipated. We have had turf loss on tees, collars and fairways from Annual Bluegrass Weevil. This summer we have also had turf loss due to Dollar Spot, Anthracnose, Large Brown Patch, Black Algae, Leaf Spot, Pythium Blight and Summer Patch turf diseases. As far as cost we have already spent about \$26k this year just to get through the fall with our turf related issues and we are not done yet. Grub season is coming and we need to take action and prepare.

Chris- We have not lost much turf on the greens which is good but some of the collars have been chewed up. We have a lot to learn and are practicing the best cultural practices we can. We have made many changes to reduce cart traffic and give us more daytime to work on the course. Please work with us with the early back nine and the signs we post to keep people off. We will be aerating and seeding with a stronger bent grass that hopefully will grow in some of the bad areas. Chris thanked the entire staff for working hard and getting us all through the summer so far.

Director of Golf Report

Bruce went over the 5 hour meeting/tour with Dr. Rossi and explained what many of the new products the courses are using. In preparation for next year the maintenance division has been working very hard with new non leaching and OMRI listed products that are currently available in the market. New cultural Practices are being used and we are working with Tom Rooney from the Barnstable water department to get some tests done so we can see a report. Ricard Aliberti asked about the Marketing coordinator, Bruce explained some of things the coordinator is responsible for. Geoff asked about the wells at OBF and when they were tested last and if we will be testing over there. Susanna asked about some of the products being used on the course and Bruce went into more detail about them.

Richard Aliberti mention the Clean Water Coalition and the state mandate that is in place.

Keith suggested that the golfers need to start paying more attention to the course and please try to leave it a better condition by fixing your ball marks and replacing divots.

Chris also made it important that the golfers need to help take care of the courses by being aware of all the signs posted or any ropes that may be in place. If we ask for the 90 degree rule please follow.

MOTION TO ADJOURN duly made BY Richard Aliberti SECONDED Susanne Conley

Adjourn 7:30 PM

Respectfully submitted

Wayne R. Malcolm

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** Further detail may be obtained by viewing the video via Channel 18 on demand or at
<http://www.townofbarnstable.us/GolfCommittee> **