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Golf Committee

September 14, 2021

05:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Link: Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/97024206358?pwd=RWhCTIN6OTM1QTcyT25HQk1XeWY1UT09>

Meeting ID: 970 2420 6358

Passcode: 125295

Meeting Called to Order at 5:36pm

Minutes; APPROVED

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. Chair Hochstein also reads the executive order on remote participation via zoom and that the meeting is being recorded and will air on channel 18 after the meeting concludes

Roll Call:	GEOFFREY CONVERSE	Absent
	JOHN COOKSON	Present
	KEITH HOCHSTEIN	Present
	SUSANNE CONLEY	Present
	MARK BUSHWAY	Present
	BILL SYLVA	Present
	JASON AUBEE	Present

ALSO PRESENT: JESSE SCHECHTMAN, WAYNE MALCOLM, CHRIS WHITE

Public Comments - NONE

Introduction of New Committee Members

Keith Hochstein welcomes the new committee members Mark Bushway, Bill Sylva, and Jason Aubee to the committee and thanks them for taking the time to be part of the committee.

Election of Officers- Keith asks for any comments before the process is started. With no comments made Keith asked for nomination for vice chair.

John Cookson nominated Susanne Conley for vice chair. With no other nominations:

Keith Hochstein asked for a roll call vote for Susanne Conley as vice chair for the committee.

ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL IN FAVOR

Susanne Conley nominates Keith Hochstein as Chair of the committee and no others were nominated.

ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL IN FAVOR.

Act on Minutes from the June 8th 2021 meeting

Motion duly made by Susanne Conley to approve the minutes of the June 8th 2021 seconded by John Cookson.

Roll Call Vote: YES John Cookson, Susanne Conley and Keith Hochstein
Abstained; Jason, Bill, and Mark.

Director of Golf Report – Chair Hochstein introduces Interim Director of Golf Jesse Schechtman. Schechtman- Super excited to take on this new role and I have a lot of pride in these golf facilities.

- Golf Course updates- today we had the senior club championship at Hyannis and it will continue at Olde Barnstable tomorrow. The quota league has surpassed \$40k in prizes awarded with 317 member's total. We have put out the grade 5 job opening for the pro shop to replace John Fowler from when he left in early 2020. This addition will be great for the pro shop to add another full time employee hopefully by the end of the month. New cart request for proposal will go out for Hyannis Golf Course this fall for a new fleet in the spring if we are unable to extend the current lease by one year in order to combine the 2 facilities. Bill Sylva asked if we had many issues with the current carts. Jesses responded that the current carts have very normal minor issues with wear and tear.
- Current Finances- Currently we are up \$130k for the year between the two courses. The Fiscal Year 2023 Budget Calendar is out and we need to have our 2022 rates by the end of October for the Town Manager to approve in November. Susanne stressed her concern about the next meeting and it should primarily focus on the rates since we seem to be behind after not having the last 2 meetings. John Cookson stated we have had another meeting in the past. Keith agreed that we could have a special meeting if needed; both Wayne and Chris agreed that it could happen if needed and we also could potentially have just the one meeting. Jason asked Jesse if he can send ideas to him, Jesse explained it is ok to do so. Mark agrees we could have a potential second meeting. Keith explained if we wanted to have a second meeting in October it would be the 26th.
- Bill Sylva asked if the early sign for new members will be available in October this year, Jesse responded we will be offering that again.
- -John Cookson asked Jesse if he has a timeframe for him being acting director and if there is a deadline for having a permanent director in place. Jesse explained that hopefully the position will be filled by the end on the year. John asked about a search committee and that the golf committee is involved the search. Susanne agreed that it is a good idea, Bill also asked what Madeline Noonan's role is with the town, and Jesse along with Wayne explained her role as the Director of Community Services.

Director of Golf Maintenance Report- Chris White

Chris introduces himself to the new committee members. Chris gives a summer recap, this summer was one of the warmest and most humid summers we have ever had. We are not spraying for crabgrass and all the insects that we used to spray for now that we are in the green initiative signs are starting show. This current trend of limited staff is also very difficult; we are starting very early to get ahead of the golfers because we don't have the help. Keith asked about the staff issues and Chris explained that we cannot close a day or two like some restaurants do. We are grooming the golf courses for September golf which is very busy with many tournaments at both courses. Susanne commended the staff that got the course ready after one of the big storms and the ladies member that was able to play. Susanne asked about the small little green spots that are on the greens, Chris explained it is Cyanobacteria that is very harmless just looks different.

John Cookson asked about what year we are in with the non-pesticide use. Chris- May 2019 is when this all started and Dr. Frank Rossi came out from Cornell. John asked when they may come back, Chris explained that what they said was going to happen is happening and we are talking what we can. Susanne asked about using non organics and if that would be possible? Chris explained that we have been told to use less pesticides. Jason asked what the shortfall is for using non organics; Chris explained that there are no organics to use for crabgrass. Keith gave some background on the Towns mandate for using organics only.

Keith discussed the agenda for the October meeting to contain mainly rate and fee discussion with a potential additional meeting on October 26th if needed.

MOTION TO ADJOURN duly made BY Susanne Conley SECONDED by Mark Bushway

Roll Call Vote: All in favor

Adjourn; 6:45 pm
Respectfully submitted
Wayne R. Malcolm

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<http://www.townofbarnstable.us/GolfCommittee> **