



The Town of Barnstable

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GOLF COMMITTEE

March 11, 2014
Olde Barnstable Golf Course
MINUTES: APPROVED

Meeting called to order at: 5:30PM

Roll Call: DAVID MILLER Present
RICHARD ALIBERTI Present
NANCY BEAUCHAMP Present
GEOFFREY CONVERSE Absent
MARY CREIGHTON Absent
EDIN NACAR Present
EDWARD HICKEY Present

Also Present: BRUCE MCINTYRE LINDA FORD
JAMES BENTLEY
CHRIS WHITE

Announcements: Chair Miller introduces the two new Committee members Edin Nacar and Edward Hickey. The current Committee Members introduce themselves and give a short history of their fields and experiences that pertain to business and golf.

Richard Aliberti: The Manning family would like to donate a bench in honor of Robert Manning who passed away recently. He was the Barnstable High School Golf team coach for 18 years and he played a large role in getting Olde Barnstable Fairgrounds Golf Course.

Chair Miller: We accept the donation of a bench and the topic is discussed with Bruce and Linda on where to get the bench and how to move forward

Motion duly made by chair Miller to accept donation by the manning family to donate a bench Richard Aliberti seconds – Vote : so voted unanimously

Act on Minutes from the February Meeting:

Motion duly made by Nancy Beauchamp - to approve the minutes of the February 11th, 2014 meeting. Seconded by Richard Aliberti - Vote: so voted unanimously

Status: of Contract for Hyannis Course Master Plan : Bruce McIntyre

- I spoke to Richard Mandell he will be at the April 8th meeting. The first draft map should be in before the meeting and we can go over it before that. We will be getting estimates included in the master plan. There will be no bearing on the FY 15 budget and any changes for cost of living or prevailing wage will be made if needed going forward.

Golf Involvement in 375th town anniversary: Bruce McIntyre

- We plan on holding a resident of Barnstable appreciation day at Olde Barnstable on May 12th and at Hyannis Golf Course on May 19th. Tee times will be required and the special will be greens fee, cart and a bucket of balls for \$37.50. Space will be limited.
- Chair Miller asked about the Barnstable cup and having an actual tournament
- Bruce- We may hold a tournament after Columbus Day I am going to meet with Geoff Converse, Merry and Roman to discuss.

1st Tee School Program Update – Aliberti

- At this time there is nothing to report.

Grounds and Maintenance Reports

- Hyannis- James Bentley
- It has been a tough winter. We have put up a new ceiling in the maintenance shop. We did get to mow some brush down between holes 6, 7 and 8.
- Our winter equipment maintenance done by Henry O'Shaughnessey should be wrapping up soon.
- We lost about six more trees this winter
- The operations staff has helped in the cleanup effort picking up sticks and helping to clear cart paths.
- Chair Miller asked if the rock for Joe Orlando on 9th tee can be cleaned and maintained. No problem per James
- Nancy Beauchamp pointed out that the course has lost over 30 trees over the last two winters.
- Bruce: over the last two years we have not been able to do our planned tree work it has been all storm clean up

- Olde Barnstable- Chris White
- It has been a brutal winter the guys have been able to take some time off
- We wanted to edge out bunkers this winter but were only able to get to a few because of the weather
- Not many trees came down at OBF they all seem to come down at Hyannis
- We were able to attend a few seminars and get some good new information about new insects that have started to appear at the golf course and how to treat the turf for them.
- Bruce: Annual blue grass weevil is a southern insect that in time has moved up here. It has developed a resistance to chemicals: topic discussed
- Clean up has started a little late, we are on it and will do the best we can
- Our mechanic is all done with equipment and can now help us out on the golf course
- We have done a large amount of painting and cleaning this winter
- There is a large amount of goose droppings on the course and we are going to do our best to clean

Richard Aliberti: What's the plan for the geese?

Chris- All the ponds were frozen over so the geese had nowhere to go

Bruce -as the snow melts the geese will go away and will come back in the fall

Topic Discussed by the committee

- Aerification 4/22-4/24 at OBF hopefully we can also do tees and fairways.
- Hyannis will be 4/15-4/16
- We will be possibly aerating with less equipment this year so it may be tougher
- You will notice new blue bird houses out on the golf course this year that a couple local high school students made this fall
- We are almost all set for seasonal staff at OBF already
- Chair Miller asked about bunkers and if they will get done
- Chris: We will be able to do it with a full staff
- Nancy asked about the turf show and if maintenance staff was able to attend
- Bruce: No one attended this year
- The brick walk way down to the putting green will be on a maintenance schedule this year along with Gary's garden.

Membership Renewal Drawing:

Bruce McIntyre – We had 331 members sign up in time for the drawing.

- Winner of annual pass: Robert Donehey
- Winner of annual range pass: Don Fanning
- Winner of a \$100 gift card: Walter Jebens

Manager/Superintendent Report: Bruce McIntyre

- The cart swap at Hyannis will be taking place by April 1st. The lease was modified and we will be getting 50 upgraded golf carts from EZ GO

- The licensing meeting for Dan and Scott on March 4th for the Hospitality Cart went well. It passed and was approved at this point we are waiting on the state and should hear from them in the next 45-60 days. The first large outing is on May 9th and we hope to have it ready for use by then.
- Ian started the process and it should go quicker for him, it is in his new contract but it may not be done until July at this point
- Chair Miller: Will Liquor on the course be policed by management?
- Bruce: It is up to the concessionaire to police the alcohol.

-Capital improvement plan has been put in to the town but I have not heard back yet. It consists of ADA compliant bathrooms at Hyannis estimated at \$95K an equipment package for Olde Barnstable Fairgrounds golf as a lease agreement for \$164k. The other portion was a decision package for a new tractor at Hyannis Golf Course and an increase in seasonal hourly wages at both golf courses. We are at the bottom end of local golf courses for seasonal wages but we are also an enterprise account.

Nancy: How far has the ADA bathrooms gone because this could be a potential legal issue?

Bruce: It has been brought up and is very well known that this is very important and needs to be addressed by the town and there are many people involved at this point. At this time the discussions are done and we have to wait for the results from the Town Managers office.

-Bruce: Hyannis had 15 holes open today Obf opens tomorrow. It has been a rough winter.

Both staffs have been working together to help get the courses open everyone has worked together very well.

Chair Miller: The new committee members have filled a seat and there terms expire in July and will need to fill out the paperwork for the next term.

Closing Public Comment : None

MOTION TO ADJOURN DULY MADE BY Richard Aliberti

SECONDED BY Nancy Beauchamp

Adjourn:

Time: 6:36 PM

Next Golf Committee meeting scheduled is Tuesday April 8, 2014 at Olde Barnstable Fairgrounds Golf Course

Respectfully submitted
Wayne R. Malcolm
Recording Secretary

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