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Golf Committee

August 11th, 2020 05:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Zoom Meeting <https://zoom.us/j/97041597719?pwd=S2xEV0MwMIJNZ3pUNlpyWkVsS21tZz09>

Minutes; APPROVED

Roll Call:	GEOFFREY CONVERSE	Present
	JOHN COOKSON	Present
	RON MATROS	Absent
	KEITH HOCHSTEIN	Present
	SUSANNE CONLEY	Present
	KEN MOREY	Absent

ALSO PRESENT: BRUCE MINTYRE

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

Public Comments - NONE

Motion duly made by John Cookson to approve the minutes of the July 14th 2020 seconded by Keith Hochstein

VOTE: All in favor

Director of Golf Report – Bruce McIntyre

The golf courses and staff are doing well during this difficult time. Bruce thanks the entire staff for all the hard work and dedication they have shown with an increased demand and small staff during these challenging times. Staff has asked to relay a message to all the golfers out there at our courses, they need to relax. The verbal harassment towards staff needs to stop and rules that are in place need to be followed. I am currently talking to town management about handing out disciplinary action to pass holders and suspending/revoking playing privileges, this needs to stop. John Cookson asked if this problem is at one or both courses, Bruce explained it is happening at both.

Currently it has been very hot and humid and with lack of rain we are in a minor drought and it the state puts us in a drought we will have to water even less. July was a great month for us, numbers are up! The staff has cleaned and disinfected over 7000 carts and over 7000 buckets of balls in the month of July alone. Currently we are servicing 450-500 rounds a day between the two courses. The month of July at Hyannis was a record breaker for us in terms of rounds. August so far is going very well Hyannis is already at 50% to budget. The cost of covid on a weekly basis is about 120 hours a week cleaning and other services or \$1800. This does not account for PPE supplies and

extra cleanings at night with our cleaning company. As a reminder from COVID you need to wear a facemask in order to enter the buildings, no mask no entry. Another reminder I'd like to share is that the state rolled back phase 3 to step 1 which has greatly impacted our restaurants especially at Hyannis Golf Course. Jesse would like me to announce the club championship winners at Hyannis, for the men Joe Hunt won gross and Dick King won net and for the women Kara Peterson won gross and Ginny Turner won net. The quota league now has over 200 players and has accumulated about 18k in pro shop credit over the first seven weeks. At Olde Barnstable Fairgrounds, Lisa Packard is the 2020 women's club champion and the men's division is this upcoming weekend.

Director of Golf Maintenance Report – Bruce McIntyre

Both courses are under stress with the high heat, humidity and a lack of rain. The grass is going dormant in certain areas and will come back once we get a few days of rain. We are doing our best to keep the turf alive so we can bounce back and have a great fall. The crabgrass is out of control in certain areas due to not spraying because there is no organic solution to crabgrass control. This year has been very good for bugs and beetles which will lead to a heavy grub issue this fall that we are keeping our eyes on.

Geoff Converse asked about people not wearing masks and if there is signage. Bruce explained there is signage and we were told not to be the covid police by the Town of Barnstable. Geoff- Is there a plan to give the restaurants some kind of fiscal relief. Bruce- The discussion has happened with David Anthony and we are looking to do something for them. Susanne Connolly asked about full time staffing. Bruce we are currently down one full time employee and the spot has remained vacant for the time being. Susanne asked about the disciplinary actions and how that will be handled. Bruce explained there will be a newsletter sent out to everyone and separate letter to those who are at fault. Susanne asked about the 50 50 split between annual pass holders and greens fee players and how close we are to that. Bruce- It is getting closer now to the 50 50 which would be great. John Cookson- Looking at the adult resident pass holders are down to 647 from 770 and the nonresident passes are also down. Bruce explained that players did not come back from Florida and some of them are moving up to the over 80 rate and some are just paying as they play now. We are glad to have the numbers we do this year and we do hope that the numbers increase again next year. Keith Hochstein- We fully supports you with the negativity towards staff. If the Town of Barnstable does not want you to be the mask police maybe the staff should enforce it. I also do know many show birds who will not be going back to Florida as early they normally would so we may be getting more business from them this fall. Keith also asked about the punch card that we used to provide. Bruce- We went from a punch card to discounted greens fee for residents instead many years ago.

Initial Rates and Fees Discussion for 2021

Bruce- Explained some of the Covid costs we hope to have reimbursed which is why we are tracking it. John- Are we going to get all that capital equipment we did not get this year. Topic Discussed Bruce explained he does not think we should change any fees at this point.

Susanne- A member made a suggestion to me that I am going to share with you for the ladies at Hyannis. With the course being so hard is it possible to re rate the course and change a few tees.

Bruce- We have been looking at doing that for years now all the way back to 2016 when we did the master plan.

Keith asked about a deadline for rates and fees. Bruce- The hearing last year was in November, we do have time. Geoff asked about CPC and where we are with that. Bruce- We do not know yet if that will go through it has been recommend and are still waiting.

MOTION TO ADJOURN duly made BY Geoff SECONDED Susanne

VOTE: All in favor

Adjourn 6:36 PM

Respectfully submitted

Wayne R. Malcolm

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