

# The Town of Barnstable Office of Community Services

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GOLF COMMITTEE
October 13, 2015
Olde Barnstable Fairgrounds Golf Course
Meeting called to order at 5:30PM
Minutes

Roll Call: DAVID MILLER Present

RICHARD ALIBERTI Present
GEOFFREY CONVERSE Absent
MARY CREIGHTON Present
EDIN NACAR Present
EDWARD HICKEY Present
BRIAN CONWAY Present

ALSO PRESENT: BRUCE MCINTYRE CHRIS WHITE

Chair Miller makes two announcements #1 the February Golf Committee Meeting will be cancelled And #2 we were going to put Tip Phillips on the agenda this month to talk about the survey the membership association did, and to talk about master plan communication. He will be on next months agenda. Paul Ruane is here as representative from the association.

#### **Public Comments:**

Paul Ruane: Comments on the condition of the buildings and that they should be fixed. Chair Miller and Bruce both inform Paul that it will be addressed at this meeting and that we have been working on this for months already. Paul also suggested opening up the tee sheet for play since the greens are not being spiked.

Act on Minutes from the September meeting Motion duly made by Mary Creighton to approve the minutes of the September 8th 2015 meeting. Seconded by Edin Nacar

# **Vote:** so voted all approved unanimous with the changes.

#### **Old Business**

Hyannis Master Plan Status and Action Needed: Bruce McIntyre

-The FY 17 budget schedule has been put out by the Town of Barnstable; I am preparing the master plan for FY 17 which is due by Nov 23<sup>rd</sup>. Golf is very important to our community, we need to spread to the word and get the information out to people who do not come to the meetings, watch the

meetings, or read the information we have sent out. We will be filming a piece on the renovation with Sara and channel 18.

Chair Miller asked if we have hired a consultant. Bruce: no we have not

Chair Miller asks if the newsletter is still going out. Bruce: yes we are sending it out

Brian Conway: Paul here is active in the community and at the golf courses and is still missing information. It is on all of us to help spread the word. Mary Creighton suggested a crib sheet of information for golfer to look at or put something on Facebook. Bruce - We have been spending a lot of time with social media and making a new website. Facebook is just one part of it and is now charging for advertising. Wayne- We have been updating our Google pages and adding new pictures and we also created a you tube page for each course and uploaded our signature hole series videos to each page.

Edin- Suggested getting in touch with the chamber of commerce to help support us – topic discussed Chair Miller- Can Patti Loyd write a letter to the finance committee or the task force to show how this will benefit the Town of Barnstable. Bruce- we can ask her, yes

## Hyannis ADA Bathroom Status - Bruce McIntyre

-The project has been going very slowly. There have been many issues from hazardous material used in construction to electrical, plumbing, HVAC and structural issues. The project has been stopped because it has gone over budget and we have had to go back to Town Council to get additional funding from the Capital Trust Fund to finish the project. Once approved there will be a 30 day cool down period and the project can then be completed. The project was near completion and it is unfortunate that this happened but we need to follow the proper procedures.

Chair Miller- That does not bode well for future renovations to the building.

Bruce- Yes things will cost more but now the Town of Barnstable departments involved know that there could be more potential for extra costs

#### Olde Barnstable Renovation Status- Bruce McIntyre

-The two roofs are going out to bid soon; specs have been done

Phase 1 at OBF includes a new roof, trim, deck balusters, awning, and complete painting of the building

Phase 1 at Hyannis includes a new roof, trim, paint and a redesign of the front entrance to make it more inviting and handicap accessible.

Phase 2 which we will be submitting for FY 17 will include things such as windows doors and getting the exterior of the buildings done along with the foyer at Hyannis and the stair well, then we will move to the interior of the buildings. Ed Hickey asked when they are going to start construction on this building here.

Bruce- That is out of our hands.

Paul Ruane- asked why this program wasn't started 5 years ago. Bruce- There was a huge downfall in golf and there was no extra money we are and now we can do it.

Drinking Water on Course Follow Up- Chair Miller- We have to find some way to get water on the course.

Bruce- We are going to work on finding a way to get water to our customers this winter.

Water Topic Discussed

Richard Aliberti- Recalled that the coolers were taken away because of a board of health issue Ed Hickey- Hyannisport has a water cooler with cups straws.

Paul Ruane – There has to be way to get this done

Bruce – A beverage cart help takes the pressure off: Topic Discussed

**New Business** 

Golf Director's Report- Bruce McIntyre

- Moving into a different time of year for us, we will be doing our capital plan and going straight into FY17 years budget. Also the fee hearing is coming up. We contributed about 122k to the surplus in FY 15 and it is not official until it is certified by the state of Massachusetts. Town Manger and the Finance Director will decide if we get use any of it. They want to feel comfortable enough that there is enough money to cover our obligations if something were to happen where we would have to use it. September numbers were hurt by a little rain we had and Hyannis lost a couple outings. The early membership sign up is not as strong as we hoped we budgeted for \$75k and we have done about \$40k so far and there is some time for that to increase. We have done some advertising and email blasts to get the word out.
- Chair Miller- Asked about the expenses being up Bruce part of that is equipment and staff but I would have to look at it more, also the Town can take out debt service money which could make it go up. Chair Miller also asked about a \$36k variance on the sheet. Bruce the numbers don't look right and I would have to talk to Nancy to see what happened and get back to you.

## Superintendent of Golf Maintenance Report- Chris White

-We put Aerification on hold today because of the rain we just got. We will finish doing the fairways and top dress the greens before the season is over. I told Jesse he could open the golf course to golfers if he wanted to. We will verti drain and roll the greens at some point. We will be blowing out the system the week of October 26<sup>th</sup>. For future jobs we will be on leaf clean up very shortly which takes up a large amount of our time.

We had some growing pains this summer with some new people on board but we are very happy with the way the courses came out. One of our seasonal guys next year will be strictly doing clubhouse landscaping at both courses. With Judy being out we have noticed we need someone strictly doing this job and that is all he is going to do Monday-Friday 40 hrs a week.

Mary Creighton thanks Chris for the pink flags and hole liners.

Chair Miller- The courses look great and we all should congratulate you.

Brian Conway- also comments on the great job with aerating and clean up

Closing Public Comments - Paul Ruane – Asked what action is going to be taken about the water.

Bruce -I asked to have this on the agenda so we could talk about what we could do and who we would have to talk to. We need to talk to the board of health and the concessionaires because it could affect their bottom line if we just give out free water. We need to meet with them and come up with a plan.

Chris- I also have some ideas we have not been able to talk yet about this.

Water Topic Discussed by committee

# MOTION TO ADJOURN DULY MADE BY Mary Creighton SECONDED BY Ed Hickey Vote: so voted unanimously

Adjourn: Time 6:35 PM

Respectfully submitted Wayne R. Malcolm Recording Secretary

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http://www.townofbarnstable.us/GolfCommittee \*\*