

**Golf Advisory Board
Town of Groton
Parks & Recreation Commission
Meeting Minutes
June 3, 2013**

Call Meeting to Order

Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Tim Castleberry at 7:00 p.m.

Attendees

Mark Berry, Tim Castleberry, Todd Goodhue, Margaret Hirsch, Tom Kiely, Jim Kamercia, Brian McCallen, Eric Morrison, Duncan Olding

Cindy Lathrop, Ralph Little and Jim Streeter were not in attendance.

Minutes of April 1, 2013

Motion to accept minutes by Duncan, seconded by Tom.

Correspondence from GAB Members

Margaret said Women's Club members don't like flag positions and would like to see better sequencing of hole locations. Todd said Eric and his staff generally use a six-six-six pin position system for front, back and middle portion of greens. Margaret also said there were complaints about tee marker positions on the 2nd tee given the limited depth of teeing ground. Tom suggested trying a volunteer 'hole adoption policy' to repair and upkeep holes during the course of play. Permission would need to be obtained from the union to perform these on-course duties. Tim said these duties would need to be clearly defined. Eric said he would approach HR with the idea. Margaret said a local rule entitling players to a free drop should be instituted for the rocky ground on the right side of 8th fairway.

Review of Monthly Revenue Report

Todd said while the course is up \$20,000 from last year, on a YTD basis, the course is still \$20,000 behind. He noted corrections in Current FYTD. Total should be corrected to \$974,842, based on Par 4 restaurant revenue, which was understated. Todd also reported that 242 season passes have been sold to date.

He said SGC hopes to attract significantly more new members—up to 20—over last year.

Old Business

Todd said Keith Johnson has been hired as the new assistant pro. He will spearhead a 'welcome back to golf' program to include weekly clinics for women, juniors and beginners. Sid Buttermore is the second hire. He is a golf shop clerk who will provide staff flexibility during the peak summer months. Mark said \$25,000 was allocated to repair bunkers on 10th hole. He noted that the proposed rest station between the 8th green and 9th tee is not budgeted for the current fiscal year.

Mark reported that the Chemical storage building/chemical recovery tank for the golf course was approved in the CIP.

New Business

There was a preliminary discussion about offering basic refreshments (coffee, water, Gatorade, etc.) in the golf shop given the fact that the beverage cart girls don't start work till 11 a.m.

Budget Update

Todd said the Golf Course Budget passed the RTM promptly without any discussion.

Next Meeting Date

Sept. 9, 2013

Adjournment

Time – 8:10 p.m. Tom motioned to adjourn, seconded by Brian.

Brian McCallen
Secretary, GAB

Minutes have been approved and accepted.

Signature



Date

9/9/13