Harwich Golf Committee May 17, 2022 Hybrid Meeting In Person and Via Zoom

Meeting called to order at 4:00PM

Present: Clem Smith, Steve Bilotta, Jack Connolly, John Crook, Martha Duffy, Carol Fuller, and Paul White

Absent:

Invited Guest: Roman Greer (Director of Golf)

Public: Debbie Heffernan, Leo Heffernan

Motion made by Ms. Duffy to approve the April minutes. Seconded by Mr. Bilotta. Unanimous vote (7-0)

Director's Report:

- Town Meeting approved Article 38 for a design and feasibility study for a 3-hole short course and putting complex
 - Mr. Greer asked if a sub-committee could be appointed to help with a RFP when the time comes.
 - o Ms. Fuller and Ms. Duffy asked questions about grants for the short course.
 - o Grants Across America has indicated this is a project they would be interested in.
- Mr. Greer ran through the list of tournaments that already played, those upcoming and two events that were cancelled.
- Pace Technologies (our GPS on the carts) has partnered with the Golf Logix app which will allow walkers the same GPS that the carts have.
 - The free version will allow you to keep score and get yardages to the center of the green.
 - There is a paid version (\$29.99/yr) that will give you point-and-click yardages, the break on the greens, and allows you to keep statistics (fairways hit, greens in regulation, # of putts, etc.)
 - We will be working with Pace Technologies to create a geofence in "blind-spot" areas to alert golfers when the carts in front of them have moved out of the blind-spot zone and it would then be safe to hit.
- Alex Stimson, our cart rep, will be coming in to work with the restaurant to create menus on the GPS which will allow players to order food for pickup at the turn.
- Mark Mungeam's recommendations on tee boxes and distances is expected at the end of the month.
- There has been seven Covid-19 cases amongst staff over the last few weeks.

- A member of the maintenance staff was injured falling off one of the mowers and will be out for some time.
 - Mr. Greer went through an online safety training course and had the State Inspectors to look at what safety measures can be implemented.
 - The recommendations will be taken to the golf course's insurance company (MIAA) to help implement the recommendations.
- Mr. Greer was interviewed for an upcoming article on the cart barn for the Cape Cod Chronicle.
- New player development commercials for Cranberry Valley are now running on Xfinity.
- Membership numbers are trending at or above the previous year.
- Ms. Fuller asked if the men's and women's leagues could be added to the website.
 - The men's association has moved their information to Golf Genius and the same can be done for the women.
 - Mr. Greer said a link under Member Resources on the CV website could be made to link to Golf Genius.

New Business:

- The Salute Military Golf Association (SMGA) honored former CV Golf Committee member Tom Johnson with a plaque of the American Flag that includes an inscribed dedication.
- Mr. Johnson's wife and sons were at the event that included 40 SMGA members.

Old Business:

- Continued discussion of a Vision Statement was discussed
 - Ms. Duffy gave a version that read, "Cranberry Valley Golf Course will always strive to be one of the most desirable public golf courses on Cape Cod in terms of golf course, quality of service and friendly culture."
 - Mr. White gave a version that read, "Cranberry Valley is dedicated to consistently providing an exceptional golf experience on Cape Cod."
 - Mr. Crook had two versions:
 - 1. "CV delivers a superior playing experience for players of all abilities and ages. A destination where members of the community and visitors are welcome to learn, improve and enjoy on a superior golf course and to provide opportunities for the development of junior golfers.
 - 2. "To create a superior non-profit golf operation that emphasizes inclusivity, community outreach, junior golf development, and investment in the golf course and infrastructure.
 - Mr. Crook withdrew his version #1
 - o Ms. Duffy, Mr. Smith and Mr. Connolly all liked Mr. White's version.
 - Mr. Connolly suggested changing the work dedicated to committed.

- A motion was made to adopt Mr. White's revised version of the Vision Statement. Motion carried (7-0).
- Ms. Duffy brought up an issue of the portable restrooms on the course. The floor retains water when it rains and the women would like a unit with a separate urinal in it.

Motion to adjourn by Ms. Duffy. Meeting adjourned at 5:09 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Serijan, HGC Secretary