

## **Minutes Harwich Golf Committee**

July 17, 2018 Griffin Room Harwich Town Hall

Meeting Called To Order At 4:01 PM

Present: Clem Smith, John Crook, Martha Duffy, Tom Johnson, and John Wheeler

Absent: None

Invited Guest: Shawn Fernandez

Public Present: Peter Wall

Mr. Smith addressed filling the Committee vacancies.

### **Consent Agenda:**

- Motion by Mr. Crook to approve minutes from June meeting. Seconded by Ms. Duffy. Approved unanimously (5-0).
- Mr. Fernandez read the Director's Report
- Membership is up 105 members from 2017 correlating into a 9.2% increase in membership revenue from FY17
- Categorially, Young Adult memberships (22-30 year olds) have doubled to 47; 17 New Harwich members have joined. Chatham members up to 164.
- Mr. Johnson would like to reopen discussion about Chatham residents receiving same rate as Harwich residents
- Mr. Smith will look into getting a financial report from the Town.
- Committee questions what will become of the excess revenue
- Callaway Golf ran a Demo Day on the range in conjunction with a Cape Cod Junior Golf Association event.
- PGA Junior League has 44 players and has partnered with Harwichport Golf Course
- 10 additional U16 juniors are registered at CV in a league with Hyannisport, Wianno, Oyster Harbors and Hyannis.
- Miller Golf Performance is preparing to negotiate additional years in their contract to use Cranberry Valley
- Superintendent Report is given
- Parts for pump house were on back order which delayed getting the system up and running in the Spring.

- The Nor'Easters in the late Winter/early Spring caused surges in the irrigation system that caused the controllers not to hold a charge and run the system properly. This was addressed once the pump house was up and running and the system was being used to its capacity.
- One pump (jockey pump) still needs to be replaced and there is money in the budget to replace it.

#### **New Business:**

- Motion to re-elect Clem Smith as Committee Chairman and Martha Duffy as Vice Chair made by Mr. Johnson. Seconded by Mr. Wheeler. Unanimous vote (5-0)
- Discussion was had about questions the Committee would like the Selectmen to ask when trying to fill the two vacant Golf Committee positions.
- The USGA consulted with CV to discuss a maintenance plan
- The USGA was very impressed with the greens and fairways in regards to the amount of grass and depth of roots
- Mr. Wheeler asked about the benefits of our continued association with the USGA in their consulting
- Mr. Fernandez mentioned it's a way to hear the USGA and Superintendent discuss the work being done and what needs to be done and knowing it's being done correctly.
- The trackers used by the members and guests two years ago to give the USGA and CV data on where players move around the course was one of the benefits of this relationship.
- The USGA brings knowledge of golf courses from all over the country to know what works and what doesn't.

#### **Old Business:**

- Review of capital project
- The project is running on schedule.
- Landscaping and parking lot reconfiguration will start in October.

Motion to adjourn at 5:25pm – by Mr. Wheeler, seconded by Ms. Duffy. Unanimous (5-0)

#### **Adjournment: 5:25pm**

Respectfully submitted,

*Mike Serjian*