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**BEVERLY GOLF AND TENNIS COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

Board: Golf and Tennis Commission
Date: August 9, 2022
Location: Beverly Golf & Tennis
Members Present: Chair William Lowd, Co-Chair Martin Lawler, Kevin Ascolillo, Arthur Athanas, Chad Crandall, Judith Cronin
Guests:
Others Present: GFMI Staff – Steve Murphy, Mike LaPierre, Dan Anastas
Recorder: Donna Musumeci

Opening Remarks:

Bill Lowd called the meeting to order.

Minutes:

Martin Lawler: Motion to approve the minutes of July 12, 2022. Arthur Athanas seconded. Note: Amended to change Arthur Ascolillo to Arthur Athanas under Minutes on page 1. The motion carries (6-0).

Financial Update:

Martin Lawler gave an update on the financials. Did a quick review of the cover sheet. He noted the only activity was from Moynihan Lumber.

BG & T Site Projects/Status/Discussion and Updates:

OPM update:

The OPM has two estimates for the design costs which came within a couple of hundred dollars of each other. We are looking to break the project down by phases. Bill shared a copy of the email status from Brian Hromadka, as an update to the commission.

The OPM anticipates the work will be completed within the allotted time frame (MOU has been extended to November 30, 2022, CPC deadline 11/30/22).

Golf course Review:

Hole #18: Wetland – Proposals from BSC and Mungeam Design in review at the mayor's office for approval.

Carts:

The OPM has been in touch with Mike Collins and Chris Carter on plumbing and electrical requirements at the pro shop. Generated discussion on electric carts which the city says will be challenging to do. Mike advised they have looked extensively at electric carts and have been disappointed by the offerings for charging. Feels the carts are fine if we use lithium batteries but the charging doesn't work. Will need to extend 480v power out to the cart barn to do anything real. The city will need to get assistance on this. Steve Murphy has advised they need to get an electrical engineer, which would cost approximately \$20K for a design. The design would need to show running electric power to the barn, with access to power on the top, as the power/cords are pulled down to the carts for plug in.

Steve Murphy advised they had to order gas carts for next year; Chris had to get the order in to have them on time. Suggestion was made to look at grant opportunities for funding. Bill asked Judith to work with the city grant writer to see if there are any possibilities. Project estimate could be \$8K per cart, plus \$20K for the design. Judith inquired if this could be part of a capital plan. Steve Murphy also suggested an alternative would be to lease and not buy, which would be less.

Tees/Neighbor:

Bill shared email correspondence with the city and the neighbor advising that there was some tree and trim work done, and that the debris will be left to discourage people from entering their property. New signage will be added to remind golfers of private property and that the tee is restricted to women only. Sign reads "Ladies and Seniors Tee Up Top" with a directional arrow. Steve Murphy advised he believes young male golfers are doing the shots that are hitting the property. Steve will also add larger signs onto the range that say drivers should not be used.

Clubhouse:

Re: the design of the building, we are looking at three new design options for the railings;

- 1) take the wood out, and use cable;
- 2) take the wood out, and use glass;
- 3) keep the wood but look at a different kind of wood.

The OPM would like thoughts on options. They have to go back to the Historical Commission. Question if the HC will accept AZEK/composite or if it would have to be wood. The committee would like to see what they could choose that may be maintenance free.

GFMI Updates:

Tennis Updates:

Mike LaPierre advised that all is going well. The Beverly Homecoming tournament in July went well. There is one more big event, the New England Sectionals the week after Labor Day. They have been lucky with the summer and no rain, so there was no need to install new pipes currently. However, they would like to see some pipes done in the future. Tennis has been very full, and it has been a great season.

Golf Updates:

Steve Murphy advised we had a great month in July with 7759 rounds. We have been slightly down in August with some weather, but people have been happy for the most part.

Dan Anastas presented 3 quotes for tree work to be done on Hole #16 – Dodge Tree, Iron Tree, and Mayer. Mayer came in with the best price at \$19,100. They will be taking down 20 trees. It will be two days' worth of work, and another visit to do the stump grinding. Dan said there is no water, so should not be an issue. A suggestion was made that we should talk to the neighbor about this plan for 16, and what we are trying to do to get away from the hole that affects them. Bill also wants to ensure the city is aware of all this. Arthur also suggested we clear the tees and resod (approximately \$7500) which would do a lot for this hole. The same should be done at the tee for hole #4. Bill advised we'll add up all the projects and see if there is enough money to do it all. We can work on this, add it up and decide in September what to do.

Martin Lawler: Motion to adjourn the meeting. Arthur Athanas seconded.
The motion carries (6-0).