

## **Bernards Township Golf Advisory Commission**

**Minutes – May 17, 2021 – 6:00 PM**

**Golf Course, Knollcroft Rd, Lyons NJ**

**APPROVED, September 20, 2021**

### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

Tim O'Rourke called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act of 1975. The Commission saluted the flag and the roll was called.

### **2. ROLL CALL**

#### **Members Present:**

Greg Angelillo (A 6:09pm)

Jim Delaney

Ana McCarthy

Peter Tobia

Timothy O'Rourke

#### **Members Absent:**

James Baldassare

Michael Conley

#### **Non-Members Present:**

Jen Gander, Director

Kelly Kellaway, Recording Secretary

Carmen Misale, Golf Course Supervisor

Matt Sullivan, Shearon

Andrew Rich, 100 Woodward Lane, Basking Ridge

### **3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

#### **A. March 15, 2021 Meeting Minutes**

- i. Motion was made by P. Tobia to accept the March 15, 2021 meeting minutes as presented. Motion was seconded by A. McCarthy. All in favor, motion passed.

#### **B. March 23, 2021 Meeting Minutes**

- i. Motion was made by P. Tobia to accept the March 23, 2021 meeting minutes as presented. Motion was seconded by A. McCarthy. All in favor, motion passed.

### **4. CORRESPONDENCE**

#### **A. None.**

## **5. REPORTS**

- A. Shearon Golf Report—Matt Sullivan
  - a. M. Sullivan reported that the course was aerated and healed over quickly, and they were able to catch up on spraying and everything is looking good. Greens will be watered this week. They are rolling the greens one time per week.
- B. Operations Supervisor's Report—Carmen Misale
  - a. Tee Time Reservations.
    - i. C. Misale reported that tee times are about 50/50 filled versus open tee times. They have had 437 no shows to date and about 73 percent of members are booking tee times online. Two areas of concern are – golfers arriving too early for their tee time looking to get out ahead of tee time before them and members are canceling last minute/within hour of their tee time.
  - b. Rounds Played
    - i. J. Gander reported that we have had 2700 rounds played with 263 from promo credits.
- C. Directors Report—Jennifer Gander
  - a. Contract Update
    - i. J. Gander reported we are currently operating under an emergency extension. We have received the updated contract and are working with VA on changes and hoping to complete final review this week. Effective June 1, VA contract will be a 5-year agreement with a 5-year renewal. The Golf Advisory Committee would like to understand what will be required for the renewal, to avoid any further issues.
  - b. Driving Range Update
    - i. The NJGF is preparing the site and does not have an estimated date for opening yet. Gregg noted they are looking to install a power golf tee system which will raise tees for vets/special needs.
  - c. Membership and Revenue Update
    - i. J. Gander updated the committee on membership totals, currently only ten memberships behind last year. Overall, we are only \$20,000 behind our total revenue for 2020.

## **6. PUBLIC COMMENT**

- A. A. Rich said he is a disabled veteran and pays full price for membership and thinks disabled vets should get a discounted membership. Inpatients receiving recreational therapy play for free. He would like the Golf Advisory Committee to look into a discount for veterans.

## **7. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. None.

## **8. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### **A. Tournaments**

- a. Mayors Cup is scheduled for June 12 and will start advertising shortly. Will have a boxed lunch and awards immediately following.
- b. Ladies Tournament will be held in September. A. McCarthy will work with Gander to plan. Hoping to do something with the range.
- c. Veterans Tournament will be held in July.
- d. Breakfast Scramble will be held in August.
- e. Coakley-Russo Cup will be held in October.

### **B. May Newsletter**

- a. The Golf Advisory Committee discussed, and noted to remind members to replace divots, pick up broken tees and replace ball marks. Maybe send out USGA video link.

## **9. COMMITTEE AND STAFF COMMENTS**

- A. G. Angelillo asked J. Gander to email rounds played for inpatients to committee members. Angelillo also asked when the staff would be receiving the new uniforms. Angelillo also asked about having a resolution passed by the Township Committee to thank those that donated the caddy shack.
- B. A. McCarthy said that she wrote to many legislators in regard to the contract and Kean was the only one who responded. She mentioned that Malinowski also responded and would like to send letter back thanking them and possibly invite them to a tournament.

## **10.ADJOURNMENT**

- A. Motion to adjourn was made by P. Tobia and seconded by G. Angelillo. All in favor; motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Kelly Kellaway  
Recording Secretary