

**Town of Westport
Golf Advisory Committee
Minutes
October 31, 2016**

The Golf Advisory Committee of the Town of Westport met in Town Hall in Room #201 on Monday, October 31, 2016. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Fred Hunter at 7:30 p.m.

Members Present: Jane Dally, John Ehli, Jim Harman, Fred Hunter, Rich Raphael and Gary Solomon.

1. Comments from the Audience

David Levin, a Westport resident, asked what can be done in terms of selection and pricing of food served at the halfway house.

2. Approval of the Minutes

The Minutes from July 5, 2016 meeting were unanimously approved.

3. Comments - Rounds Report

The rounds played for calendar year 2016 are largely in-line with the rounds played for calendar year 2015.

4. Presidents' Report

All Presidents reported a successful season and all three leagues showed a year-over-year increase in attendance. Attendance was attributed to the improved playability of the course and the ability to attract play from non-residents at resident rates for league and tournament play.

5. Superintendent's Report

A deep-tine aeration is planned for the end of November that will help to push water deep to the roots of the greens.

Along the fairways, drainage is still one of the biggest issues and the maintenance team continues to work to improve these conditions.

The rough is in need of aeration and over seeding and will be addressed once a plan for the bunker project is finalized.

6. Golf Professional's Report

Staff changes resulted in increased approval from many players and that the league members are complimentary of the service provided by course management and maintenance team.

7. Update – Bunker Project

The architect will initiate a planning meeting in December of 2016. Upon approval of plan, they will move to construction drawings that will form the basis for a bid package to go out to contractors for pricing. Bunker renovation project expected to commence construction in 2017

8. Update – Golf Professional RFP

Four golf professionals responded to the Town's RFP regarding the golf professional position. An interview process will take place this year led by the Parks and Recreation Department.

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting and passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
John Ehli
GAC Secretary