

WESTPORT CONNECTICUT

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

LONGSHORE CLUB PARK

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Golf Advisory Committee Minutes July 9, 2018

The Golf Advisory Committee of the Town of Westport met in Town Hall in Room #201 on Monday, July 9, 2018. The meeting was called to order by Parks and Rec Commission Chairman Charlie Haberstroh at 7:30 p.m.

Members Present: Jane Dally, Judy Domkowski, John Ehli, Marie Gross, and Gary Solomon. Jim Harman and Ralph Raphael were absent.

1. Approval of the Minutes

The Minutes from the meeting held on June 4, 2018 were approved unanimously by the Committee.

2. Comments from the Public

Sean Doyle, a Westport resident, brought to the Committee's attention that there are a few minor deficiencies with the driving mats located at the driving range. The boards that surround the mat surface are loose and create a possible trip hazard. Jon Janik made note and agreed to review the problem.

3. Presidents' Report

All the Presidents confirmed that the bunker repair project has been well received. Topsy Siderowf of the LWGA reported their Member/Guest tournament takes place on July 10th. There are 127 current members in LWGA. Mia Anderson of the Ladies 9-Hole League reported the recent Emily Buck Tournament was a success and their membership is at 122 woman this year. Peter Krieger of the LMGA reported that the association's Member/Guest takes place July 19th and the 20th. Membership is currently at about 370 members today down from its peak of about 500 members in 2007.

4. Administrative Report

The rounds played for June of 2017 are 5,564 and are roughly on pace with recent history. Jenn Fava reports that the Geese Abatement Program was fully implemented July 2nd of this year and that coverage is scheduled twice a week on Monday- Saturday and once on Sunday. Visits will be random in an effort to improve the outcome. Even the thought the implementation was fairly recent, the lack of geese is noticeable particularly on holes #6, #11. #12 and #17.

5. Superintendent's Report

Todd Salamone reports the water restrictions put in-place by Aquarion Water Company will result in the grass going dormant and that golfers can expect to see browning within the rough and possibly fairways. This will have moderate impact on playability and as temperatures cool and rain increases the grass will again begin to green.

6. Golf Professional's Report

Jon Janik reported an error that he uncovered within the Chelsea Reservation System. Apparently, once a round is booked, even if subsequently cancelled, the round is counted as though it was played. Jon notified Chelsea of this software glitch and they will address in future releases or updates to the system.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting and it passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
John Ehli
GAC Secretary