Town of Westport Golf Advisory Committee Minutes

The Golf Advisory Committee of the Town of Westport met in Town Hall in Room 201 on Monday, November 5, 2012. The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Fred Hunter, at 7:30 PM.

Members present: Fred Hunter, Mark Holod, Jean Murdoch, Joanna Nicholson, Gary Solomon, and Scott Smith.

Others present: Sean Doyle and Patti Kondub

1. Approval of Minutes

The Minutes of September 4, 2012, were accepted as submitted.

2. Rounds Report

Rounds for September are basically the same as last year. We are still 10% up for the year, however, based on the strong spring numbers.

3. Greens Committee Report

Scott Smith reported that Dan Rackliffe said that the course failure in July was his fault. It happened on his watch, and it will not happen again. It was the worst summer in history for the course. He is restoring the greens.

A 5 ton vibratory roller is being used on the tees. A soil sensor is being installed on 2,6, and 1. Soil can be monitored remotely, and the sensors give more timely information than walking barefoot across the greens to check for moisture.

Fred reported the damage done by Storm Sandy. Many trees down and mud covered the fairway on #17. Water covered 10,11,12,13. There may be some salt damage that will show next spring.

4. College Handpass

Area college students can play at resident rates with a college handpass.

5. Review Questionnaire Results to Date

Discussion took place of results so far. More specific information is required before a final report is made. One point appears to be that Westport is different from other towns in the way it is operating.

6. Discussion - Parks Dept. Equipment Storage at Longshore

Before and after pictures of the storage were shared, showing that there has been effort to clean up the area.

7. Review 2011 /2012 Budget

A copy of the proposed budget was shared with the GAC.

- 8. Old Business None
- 9. New Business None

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The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanna Nicholson Secretary of GAC