

WESTPORT CONNECTICUT PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT LONGSHORE CLUB PARK 260 SOUTH COMPO ROAD

# **Golf Advisory Committee Final Meeting Minutes** May 3, 2021

The Westport Golf Advisory Committee conducted a Zoom meeting on Monday, May 3, 2021. The meeting was called to order by Jane Dally, GAC chairperson, at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Jane Dally, Marie Gross, Judy Domkowski, Rich Raphael, Mike Durkin and John Ehli.

### 1. Approval of Minutes

The Minutes of the April 12, 2021 meeting were unanimously approved.

#### 2. Comments from the Public

None.

#### 3. President's Report

**LLNHGA**: Anne Haymon reported 126 members and membership is now capped because of the high demand to play and get weekly tee times.

Their May mixers is planned at the Longshore Marina.

LWGA: Winnie Hamilton reported 114 members including 19 new members; membership will be capped at 120. Sixty members are Westporters. 64 members participated in the Opening Day Event. The first Trophy Tuesday is May 4<sup>th</sup>.

Pace of Play is a key issue.

LMGA: Presented by Jon Janik. 323 members. Events are selling out.

### 4. Administrative Report – Jennifer Fava

- 3,768 rounds were played in April.
- Golf handpass requests were up by 700%
- The reviews of the proposals for the Longshore Park 5-year site plan are finally moving forward.
- Turco is scheduled to be on site on May 10<sup>th</sup> to repair the practice area on 17 and the bunker on 14.
- The restaurant will hopefully open around the 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

### 5. Superintendent's Report – Todd Salamone

- Presented his summer maintenance program for June, July and August. A brief discussion occurred about issues like crab grass, grubs, fertilization, thin bunkers and a selective need for sod around the bunkers.
- Course has recovered well from April's aeration. Mulching is scheduled for this week.

• Talked about how pleased he is with the recently purchased aeration equipment. The plugs are being selectively redeployed to build up the rough.

## **6. Golf Professional's Report –** Jon Janik

- Rounds played in April were the highest since 2012.
- Evaluation of the Chelsea reservation system continues. Marie Gross developed a short questionnaire (5-6 questions) and Jen Fava should decide if either Google Docs or Survey Monkey can be considered to solicit comments from users.
- The new carts were delivered on April 19<sup>th</sup> with positive reviews from users.
- New local rules have been posted.
- The MGA remains unresponsive on when the women's tees will be rerated, which is frustrating given the fees paid. While Jon will continue to press the MGA, a brief discussion occurred about membership in the CSGA.

### **GAC Committee Member Comments/Issues**

Halfway House operation is disappointing. They should post that cash is not accepted and also stock more food and beverages. Jen Fava to look into the situation.

The Zoom meeting ended at 8:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Judy Domkowski Reviewed by Jane Dally