

# Westport Golf Advisory Committee FINAL Meeting Minutes March 8, 2022

The Golf Advisory Committee of the Town of Westport conducted a Zoom meeting on Monday, March 8, 2022. The meeting was called to order by GAC chairperson, Jane Dally, at 7:02 p.m.

Members Present: Jane Dally, Judy Domkowski, Irla Landry, Mike Durkin, and John Ehli. Missing was Rich Raphael.

# **Approval of Minutes**

The Minutes of the February 7, 2022 meeting were approved as presented and passed by a unanimous vote.

#### **Comments from the Public**

No public comments

# **President's Reports**

LMGA – President, Ryan Smith reported that the membership drive is underway and to date they have 131 men signed up to play. They are hoping for 300-350 for the season. Parks and Rec approved the 2022 tournament schedule.

LWGA – President Marie Gross reported that 85 women have signed up and six of those are new members. The tournament schedule has been approved by Parks & Recreation. Opening meeting will be held at Saugatuck Congregational Church on April 5. The association handbook is being revised. Opening day tournament will be on April 26.

LLNH - No update.

#### **Administrator's Report**

Jen Fava was not on the call.

George Scorge, a rep from Stantec was on the zoom call and was interested to hear/learn of our thoughts on the plans for a new clubhouse and other golf related changes under the Longshore Range Plan. GAC members discussed some of their ideas but more time is needed. We discussed a new clubhouse, modest but sufficient lockerooms for men and women, a grill room/restaurant and bar with a view of Long Island Sound, a new pro shop, a cart barn, a new short game area with enlarged putting green, outdoor patio with tables and chairs, a fire pit, better flow of traffic throughout the park, etc. More discussion to follow in April.

# **Superintendent's Report**

Spring maintenance is almost complete. Will start adding sand to greenside bunkers. Brad has addressed greens drainage and leveling tees for 2022.

Greens will be aerated on April 4.

Fairways are improving. Some additional seeding is still needed in spots.

Geese abatement is an ongoing issue.

A new assistant superintendent has joined the team. His name is William Johnson.

# **Golf Professional's Report**

All league tee times and charity events have now been blocked off on the 2022 calendar,

Junior golf clinics sold out immediately.

Merchandise is arriving but still experiencing supply chain delays.

Jon made a few comments about a new pro shop needing higher ceilings and slightly larger than what currently exists. He also would like a fitting bay with golf simulator.

#### **GAC Comments**

No comments

The Zoom meeting ended at 8:11pm.

Respectfully submitted, Jane Dally GAC Chairperson