



Westport Golf Advisory Committee Final Meeting Minutes October 3, 2022

The Golf Advisory Committee of the Town of Westport conducted a Zoom meeting on Monday, October 3, 2022. The meeting was called to order by GAC chairperson, Jane Dally, at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Jane Dally, Mike Durkin, Irla Landry and Rich Raphael. Missing from the meeting were Judy Domkowski and John Ehli.

Approval of Minutes

The Minutes of the September 6 meeting were approved.

Comments from the Public

No public comments

President's Reports

LMGA – President Ryan Smith reported that the membership is currently at 410 members. The association has held 16 tournaments to date and three remain on the schedule.

LWGA – President Marie Gross reported that the Fall Cup was rained out twice. The Member-Member was also cancelled due to rain. The last Trophy Tuesday event will be on October 18. The closing dinner will be on October 23 at Rizzuto's.

LLNH – No report.

Administrator's Report

Jen Fava reported that the funding for the greens drainage project was approved. They are finalizing the paper work now and work should begin next week. There will be minimal disruption to the golf course during the process.

The netting and new posts by the 12th tee were replaced.

The Longshore Capital Improvement Plan will soon be publicized to the town residents and public meetings will be scheduled.

September rounds were 4,359. That figure is down by 318 rounds compared to the same time last year.

Superintendent's Report

Brad Brown was not on the call but provided a report about his maintenance plan for fairways, bunkers, greens, tees, and the natural grass areas for the next month.

Golf Professional's Report

Jon Janik reported that there continues to be steady play. Twilight rates start at 3pm on October 4. The course has improved significantly since the summer drought.

Jr. Golf programs ended on September 24 but the after school classes on Tuesdays continue throughout the month of October.

Several tournaments took place in September including the PAL tournament with 124 players, the CCDC event with 64 players and the Staples Lacrosse event with 96 players.

End of season sales are now underway in the pro shop with big discounts on women's apparel, equipment and men's clothing.

The annual Clubhouse Cup was played on September 23. Approximately 83 players participated. It was mentioned that the women's golf associations were not notified about this event or they would have promoted it to their members.

GAC Comments

Irla Landry mentioned that the golf course is looking good and has really improved over the past month due to the rain and maintenance practices. She questioned if Longshore would be installing GPS in the golf carts. She also asked about distance measuring devices and if something could be added to the flagsticks to get a better read. Irla would like Brad and his team to review the upkeep on the practice bunker and green near the 17th tee. The green is full of weed. Perhaps we need a sign near the bunker to remind people to rake before leaving so it's nice for the next person.

The Zoom meeting ended at 7:29pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jane Dally
GAC Chairperson