

**MUNICIPAL COUNTRY CLUB COMMISSION a.k.a. FARMINGBURY
HILLS REGULAR MEETING, MONDAY, OCTOBER 28 2013
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Note: These are summary minutes. A tape recording of this meeting is on file in Wolcott Town Hall, Commission Secretary's Office.

Chairman Larson called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., with the Pledge of Allegiance and attendance was taken.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Robert Larson, Vice-Chairman Greg Solocius, Anthony Marino, Chris Vastola and Michael Perrone

ALSO PRESENT: Jim Cullen, Facilities Administrator and Craig Kealey, Golf Pro

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- September 23, 2013 Regular Meeting

Upon **MOTION** by Chris Vastola, seconded by Greg Solocius, it was unanimously voted to **approve** the minutes of the September 23, 2013 regular meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE:

There were none.

PUBLIC REQUEST LIMITED TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA:

There were none.

GOLF PRO/CONSULTANT'S REPORT:

Mr. Kealey was present and came forward to report that they are having a nice fall and great weather.

He stated in September and October of this year, they have surpassed what they made last year.

Mr. Kealey informed the commission members that the Women's Association approached him to request if they could make the 9th hole a forward tee on both times around, so right now they play the 9th hole from the tee, which is a

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Par 5 and they play the 18th hole from the back tee, so it is an extra 100 yards and he thinks it is pretty consistent with yardages that women play at other golf courses. So they would like to play from the front tee both times and he thinks it would be a good thing to do.

He also mentioned that they have to order the score cards, which are free and they sell the ads on the carts and it has been beneficial for both of them.

Mr. Perrone pointed out that they will be changing the score cards and changing the configuration of the golf course and he was wondering if they should make a motion and pass it by the commission, at which time Chairman Larson said that is fine.

After a brief discussion, the following motion was made:

Upon **MOTION** by Michael Perrone, seconded by Greg Solocius, it was unanimously voted to change the golf course to the Women's tees on the 9th hole to be both from the same yardages.

Mr. Kealey also mentioned yesterday when they were pulling out the carts the door garage cable snapped. He noted that he called E-Z Doors Company and they fixed it and the cost was \$130.00. He stated that E-Z Doors suggested that they should have a maintenance agreement for all 5 doors and the cost for that would be about \$150.00. Chairman Larson said they will place it on the agenda for a future discussion.

- Outings

Mr. Kealey noted that they have been doing well with outings. He added that their outing rates are as follows:

- 1) \$36.00 for 18 holes
- 2) \$22.00 for 9 holes

He noted that they were developed years ago. He pointed out when they have outings at the golf course some of the golfers have season passes and others don't, so he has been charging the golfers who don't have season passes season rates.

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Mr. Perrone noted that it is great they are having more outings. He questioned if the outings at the golf course have some kind of function with the restaurant, at which time Mr. Kealey said they do.

Mr. Perrone also inquired if carts are mandatory, at which time Mr. Kealey said correct. Mr. Perrone inquired if it be worthwhile to put together a subcommittee and maybe come up with a format on outing fees.

Chairman Larson said rather than developing a subcommittee he was thinking that they can place this on the agenda and discuss it further to see if they could come to an agreement on what they want to do. If they do not agree to something, then maybe they could have a subcommittee.

FACILITIES ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Mr. Cullen was present and came forward to report that last month they had a power outage at the golf course. He called Joe Ciccio from Mechanix III LLC to see what the problem was and his diagnose was that it is a CL&P issue. He also added that Mechanix III LLC sent them a bill in the amount of \$195.00.

Mr. Perrone mentioned if it is CL&P's problem they should send the bill to CL&P.

Mr. Cullen noted that they are removing leaves.

Also, the irrigation will be done in the next two weeks. He added that he spoke with Mr. Kalinowski regarding the compressor and he said they could borrow it.

Chairman Larson inquired if they tested the plunger, at which time Mr. Cullen said they tested it and it is working, but he doesn't know how long it will last.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Review of Line Items.

Mr. Vastola indicated that he received an invoice from Licensing Company for \$195.00 and he is not sure what it is for, so he asked if the secretary could look into it.

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OLD BUSINESS:

- Chris DiNunzio Mylar screen

Chairman Larson mentioned that Mr. DiNunzio applied for a permit to install a Mylar screen on the patio. He added that they had spoken about this at a previous meeting to see if he could do it. He added that he went through the process to obtain a permit. Also, he mentioned that the Fire Marshal, Building Inspector, himself and the electrician were involved. He added that he wrote a letter to Mr. DiNunzio stating that he is responsible for any damage to any portion of building (see attached).

- Flag Light

Chairman Larson informed the commission members that he was approached by residents at the golf course inquiring if they could place a light under the flagpole. He added that he contacted electricians and he is waiting for options and they will get this done.

NEW BUSINESS:

There were none.

PUBLIC REQUESTS

There were none.

ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA:

There were none.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

There was none.

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ADJOURNMENT:

Upon **MOTION** by Chris Vastola, seconded by Greg Solocius, it was unanimously voted to **adjourn** the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

APPROVED:

**Chairman Robert Larson
FARMINGBURY HILLS COMMISSION**

**Dolores Distiso
COMMISSION SECRETARY**