

**MUNICIPAL COUNTRY CLUB COMMISSION a.k.a. FARMINGBURY  
HILLS REGULAR MEETING, MONDAY, AUGUST 12, 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, and Anthony Marino

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Chris Vastola and Michael Perrone

**ALSO PRESENT:** Jim Cullen, Facilities Administrator

**ALSO ASBENT:** Craig Kealey, Golf Pro

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

- July 8, 2013 Regular Meeting

Upon **MOTION** by Greg Solocius, seconded by Anthony Marino, it was unanimously voted to **approve** the minutes of the July 8, 2013 regular meeting.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Chairman Larson noted that he has one correspondence from Paul Moore who has cancer and he is requesting a refund of his 2013 season pass.

After a brief discussion, the following motion was made:

Upon **MOTION** by Greg Solocius, seconded by Anthony Marino, it was unanimously voted to authorize a refund for Mr. Paul Moore (in the amount of \$320.00) see attached.

**PUBLIC REQUEST LIMITED TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA:**

There were none.

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**GOLF PRO/CONSULTANT'S REPORT:**

Chairman Larson stated that he has the Pro's report which he read into the record. (see attached).

**FACILITIES ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

Mr. Cullen was present to report that the ice machine is installed behind the restaurant and it's been working fine.

- Top Dresser

Also, on August 5th they received their new top dresser. He added that Fred and he got a quick lesson on it.

He said they have a load of sand coming tomorrow. They will be top dressing on the 19<sup>th</sup> after the championship.

Chairman Larson inquired if Mr. Cullen could inform the commission members why they made a change to the existing top dresser.

Mr. Cullen stated that the initial proposal from (Steve Willard Quality Turf Equipment) has changed since then. There are new emission laws that came out which wouldn't allow them to put the same motor on that machine, so they would have to wait for a motor to come in and be installed and it would take six more weeks. So they offered to upgrade them to the new model which was a different motor and it had all the ECS controls which are awesome compared to the manual ones; it was a \$2,000.00 upgrade. He also noted that they gave it to them at the same price and it was a demo and it had 25 hours on it. He added that the issue that they are having now is the vehicle which has to pull this. He added that it has a leak and the brakes and steering are a problem too. They are going to try it this week. He also mentioned that Mr. Olsen offered to get them a loaner. He will be contacting him tomorrow.

- Security System

Mr. Cullen mentioned that they have been having a problem with the security system at the maintenance building and it's been showing a default #5 glass break-in in the office which is setting an alarm off and they are calling Mr.

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Caisse's house in the morning. He had Maximum Security come in and check it out and they didn't have anything wrong, so they are checking to see if it is at their end.

Chairman Larson said this is the same thing that happened at the club house and they had to change the sensor.

Mr. Cullen mentioned that Saturday they had another incident at the golf course; they stole their practice flag sticks, and they also broke the gate on the back side which they fixed already with a double lock.

Chairman Larson inquired if he had reported it to the police and he said no. He informed Mr. Cullen to report everything to the police so they have it on record.

Mr. Cullen informed the commission members that they had another incident with a cart. They are not sure if it was left out. They found it on the 5<sup>th</sup> hole and they made figure eights on the green and left it there. He added that he brought it to Craig's attention. He added that they placed stop signs on the gates along with no trespassing signs on both sides.

Chairman Larson inquired if anyone would like to review the new proposal for the top dresser. He added that the secretary will have it.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:**

*Review of Line Items.*

No report given.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- Specials

Mr. Marino noted that he has an update since their last meeting. He noted that Mr. Kealey has placed some ads in the newspaper and asked them before he placed them in the paper which he and Mr. Perrone said it was ok. He added that he wanted to run another ad which they told him he could as long as he doesn't spend more than a \$1,000.00 which was approved at a

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previous meeting. He indicated that he doesn't know where he stands at this time.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Air conditioner

Chairman Larson informed the commission members that the air conditioner unit in the bar broke down. He said someone came there to repair it and it keeps blowing the circuit breaker. He also noted that the unit is 12 years old and it is not fixed as of yet.

- Cleaning

Chairman Larson stated he has received several complaints about the ladies room and toilet paper was all over the floor and it is a mess.

Mr. Solocius said he will have to talk to Mr. DiNunzio again.

Mr. Cullen mentioned in front of the pathway they were cleaning that area and they found wooden panels, 4 wheels and other stuff. He said they left it there.

Chairman Larson said he has spoken to Mr. DiNunzio about this before. He added that he will have to follow up with a letter.

- Jim Carey

Chairman Larson informed the commission that they will be losing Jimmy Carey because he took a position at Public Works and he will start sometime in October. He indicated that they should post a new job for a Greenskeeper. He stated that they will be posting the job for a Greenskeeper III and they will have to have five year's experience. He added that he is recommending that they should do this.

After a brief discussion, the following motion was made;

Upon **MOTION** by Greg Solocius, seconded by Anthony Marino, it was unanimously voted to authorize the posting of a Greenskeeper III position.

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Mr. Solocius noted that the Men's Association has now rescinded the mandatory carts for all their tournaments and leagues because it was a failure and it didn't work. Play was still slow so they are now going back to the way it was before.

Chairman Larson inquired if the Pro was aware of it, at which time Mr. Solocius stated that he was told a couple of times.

**PUBLIC REQUESTS**

There were none.

**ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA:**

There were none.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

There was none.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Upon **MOTION** by Anthony Marino, seconded by Greg Solocius, it was unanimously voted to **adjourn** the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

**APPROVED:**

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**Chairman Robert Larson  
FARMINGBURY HILLS COMMISSION**

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**Dolores Distiso  
COMMISSION SECRETARY**