

**MUNICIPAL COUNTRY CLUB COMMISSION a.k.a. FARMINGBURY
HILLS REGULAR MEETING, MONDAY, AUGUST 26, 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 and Craig Kealey, Golf Pro

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- August 12, 2013 Regular Meeting

Upon **MOTION** by Anthony Marino, seconded by Greg Solocius, it was unanimously voted to **approve** the minutes of the August 12, 2013 regular meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Chairman Larson noted that he has a couple of correspondences. One is a 19th Annual Community Golf benefit "The German Club" and what they are looking for is a donation from Farmingbury for a couple of rounds of golf for a door prize. After a brief discussion no action was taken.

Also, he received an e-mail from Debi Carozza requesting permission to design and pay for the landscaping on the Memorial Garden on the ladies tees on the 7th hole at which time Mr. Marino suggested that Mr. Cullen should contact Ms. Carozza regarding their request (see attached).

He also informed the commission that the carts will be arriving on Friday and they will be up and running at noon.

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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 he did a comparison of all days not affected by the weather (see attached). He stated that what they did was they place an ad in July and August and the cost was \$100.00 a week and they ran 5 ads and what they did was highlight their specials and it had some impact.

He also mentioned when they get closer to October he would like to run the \$20.00 special which runs all day long and every day with the exception of Saturday and Sunday and he will be requesting if they could do that at their next meeting.

FACILITIES ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Mr. Cullen was present and came forward to inform the commission about the top dresser breaking down on the 2nd green; it ripped the threads and bolts right out of assembly and the plate broke and it could be fixed. They are looking to see how much damage there is.

At which time Chairman Larson inquired if there is another machine available for them to use.

Mr. Cullen replied not that he knows of and noted that they finished topdressing all of the greens but they didn't core them all. They did 1, 2, 9 and the practice tee. He also mentioned that they cancelled half of the load of sand that they order.

Chairman Larson inquired if anyone had looked at the machine, at which time Mr. Cullen said they are trying to see how much damage there is.

Chairman Larson suggested that someone from the town garage might be able to look at it. He stated that they have to get it fixed and Mr. Cullen said he will see what he can do this week.

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Mr. Vastola inquired if they had a couple of sprinkler heads broken, at which time Mr. Cullen said that Fred fixed them.

Chairman Larson mentioned that he heard there was an accident with a cart, at which time Mr. Kealey said a cart turned over and they are assigning carts out now. The cart itself is fine and he talked to Paul Schwab about it and the roof has to be taken off.

Mr. Solocius indicated that they are talking about two different incidents. He added that it was the one that happened the other day with Steve Dunn's wife.

Mr. Kealey stated that there was an accident on the 5th. He indicated that the brakes went to the floor and the cart went backwards down the hill and they tried to turn the cart around. He added that he went out there and assisted them; she had a scrape on her arm. He indicated that he did everything possible to assist her when they came back in and he talked to them and they didn't say anything about it. He also added that he played Saturday and Sunday and he didn't mention anything about the incident.

Chairman Larson noted that if there is an incident that happened at the golf course he would like to be informed because when he was having dinner on the patio someone came up to him and asked about the situation and he didn't know what to say, at which time Mr. Kealey said he will inform the commission members.

Mr. Kealey said they didn't talk about doing anything further regarding this incident.

Chairman Larson said he will follow up with Mr. Dunn.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Review of Line Items.

No report given.

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OLD BUSINESS

- Cart lease

Chairman Larson noted that he has a copy of the cart lease payments and it has been approved (see attached). He also indicated that they are keeping the burgundy carts.

NEW BUSINESS:

Chairman Larson indicated the he wanted a report on the costs for the paper goods for the maintenance. He noted that he is looking at their contract with Mr. DiNunzio. As they know they have had some complaints and he had a long discussion with Mr. DiNunzio and his new manager. They had a discussion about storage too which he suggested that he should purchase a POD because he has chairs, tables and supplies in their rooms, at which time Mr. Vastola said Mr. DiNunzio should rent a POD.

Chairman Larson informed Mr. DiNunzio that he has to go to the town to go through the process of obtaining a permit.

Also, he has the cost summary for the last two years (see attached). He also indicated that Mr. DiNunzio suggested that they put in two electric hand driers and that would save money on paper towels, at which time Chairman Larson said Mr. DiNunzio could install them. He added that they will have to discuss this further and the commission agreed.

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 7:10 p.m.

APPROVED:

Chairman Robert Larson
FARMINGBURY HILLS COMMISSION

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COMMISSION SECRETARY