

PARAMUS GOLF
COMMISSION MINUTES
Tuesday February 2nd, 2021

Call to order 6:30 pm by Andy Schuckers, Manager/Superintendent

1. Notice of meeting:

This is a regular scheduled meeting of the Golf Commission and the notice requirements provided for the "Open Public Meetings Act" have been satisfied. Notice of this meeting was properly given in a notice which was transmitted to the Record, filed with the Clerk of the Borough of Paramus, posted in Borough Hall and posted on the Borough Website.

2. Roll call: Chairman Stuart Clark, Vice Chairman Pete Caminiti Sr., Ralph Amato, Rob Thompson and Councilman Pat Verile

Also present: Andy Schuckers and Sabrina Helm

3. Approval of minutes from January 12th and 19th meeting

Motion: Chairman Clark Seconded: Vice Chairman Caminiti Sr

4. Next meeting is scheduled for March 2nd.

5. Correspondence: none to report

6. Finance: There was an increase of rounds in January but income was down. This was because memberships will not be taken until policies for the New Year are resolved. Vice Chairman commented that he believes the report that compares the last 5 years does not show a projection of where this number would have been if memberships were taken. He requested to either mark why the income is down for January on the report or to omit the registrations on the report for the previous years for a fair comparison. Andy will indicate on the comparison report why income was down.

7. General Manager/ Superintendent Report:

Staffing: Two full time employees will be moved to the Recreation department. Two seasonal staff who worked at the course this past year will be hired full time to work for the rec department as well. There were no applicants for the mechanic position. Councilman Liaison Verile requested Andy to email him the job description and title so the council can look at a pay rate comparison from nearby towns. Andy informed the commission the job is to be posted in the NJLOM and into the paper.

Course conditions: January's weather led to more rounds but the cups and tee markers were frozen in the ground creating more wear and tear. Divots were filled last week in preparation for spring. 5 bunkers were re shaped, drainage was added and more sand was added in. All that is left to do is re sodding them.

8. Old Business:

Restaurant: Andy's conducted six tours so far to interested bidders. Negotiations will take place on February 25th.

Tee time access:

Andy suggestions:

Option A: The easiest for the staff to handle bookings would be the 33% of the advanced tee times for residents would be booked in person only 2 days in advance when the Pro Shop opens and an hour later the 67% of tee times would be online only for all members to book. The 33% of advanced times would be available to residents for that whole day and would not be released to the public until the close of business that day.

Option B: The 33% of advanced tee times would be split in half so half would be available online and half for in person bookings so staff can book residents without competing with online bookings. The only problem with this is if there is more residents waiting in line than what is available this will lead to many upset residents.

Vice Chairman recommends leaving the access time currently the way it is so Paramus Residents can book two days in advance with the change of only 33% of the tee times and all other members' book 1 day in advance.

Vice Chairman feels going online is the right way to go but the opportunity should be afforded to book in person. Sabrina explained it's possible to do that but there's no guarantee they will obtain a tee time with staff because the staff is competing to book the same times available as online bookings.

Andy still recommends having residents come in person only to book the 33% of tee times this way they are not competing with residents booking on the internet.

Vice Chairman suggests online bookings a day prior for residents while we investigate whether or not in person and online bookings can be done at the same time and without additional costs.

Councilman Liaison Verile suggests slowly getting away from in person tee times but not immediately discontinuing it. This way a resident knows they have ability to book in person.

Vice Chairman makes a motion to permit residents to book 33% of tee times per hour a day prior to nonresidents and make a diligent effort to see if bookings can take place online and in person. Second: Chairman All in favor: Unanimous

9. New Business: Field Division: See section 7.

Policies: See section 8.

Evening leagues received an email about registrations and payment due dates for this year.

10. Meeting open to the public: *5 minutes maximum per person*

John Carpentiri, resident, inquired when the course will sell registrations and thanked

Andy for reacting to their request on the geese clean up. He played the following

Sunday after the last meeting and the course had improved. Andy explained that now the policies are established they must be approved and adopted by Mayor and Council and hopes to begin taking memberships by March 1.

Nancy Vasile, resident, also commented that the greens were in much better shape, she supports the 33% access and still would like to know how many people complained in regards to tee time access.

11. Good of the order: Andy wanted to mention since some commission members missed the last meeting he is to be a grandfather.

12. Adjournment: The Golf Commission moved to close the meeting at 7:22 pm.

Motion: Vice Chairman Seconded: Chairman