



Town of Barnstable Barnstable Golf

Hyannis Golf Course, 1840 Route 132, Hyannis, Ma 02601 (508) 362-2606
Olde Barnstable Fairgrounds Golf Course, 1460 Route 149, Marstons Mills, Ma 02648 (508) 420-1141
Director of Golf: Jesse Schechtman

Golf Committee April 11th 2023 Meeting Called to order; 5:30pm Minutes; Draft

Chair Hochstein reads statement in accordance with MGL Ch. 30.A.S.20 regarding public taping at meetings - No one responds as taping the meeting. Chair Hochstein also reads the executive order on remote participation via zoom and that the meeting is being recorded and will air on channel 18 after the meeting concludes

Roll Call:	GEOFFREY CONVERSE	Present
	JOHN COOKSON	Present
	KEITH HOCHSTEIN	Present
	SUSANNE CONLEY	Present
	MARK BUSHWAY	Arrived slightly after roll call
	BILL SYLVA	Present
	JASON AUBEE	Present

ALSO PRESENT; JESSE SCHECHTMAN, JAMES BENTLEY

Public Comments; NONE

Act on Minutes from the March 14th, 2023 meeting

Motion duly made by Jason Aubee to approve the minutes of the March 14th Golf Committee meeting seconded by John Cookson.

Roll Call Vote; Susanne Conley abstains, ALL OTHERS VOTE YES

Director of Golf Maintenance Report – James Bentley

Cart path project is complete, at least the paving portion of it. The paving came out great. We will be handling the loaming/seeding of the adjacent and damaged areas in-house. Aeration starts at OBF this Tuesday, with Hyannis being done the following week. We have successfully transplanted a Holly tree to the first hole at Olde Barnstable, and renovated the greenside bunker on the eleventh hole at Hyannis. We are significantly understaffed at both courses. Hiring has been difficult, nobody seems to be applying. I have been working on the Audubon certification project. We may be asked to form an advisory group on that front. A discussion ensues about the difficulties of attracting seasonal maintenance staff (mainly the cost of living on Cape Cod), followed by the effectiveness of the changes to the third hole at Olde Barnstable. Keith speaks about the MGA markers being inaccurate in regards to where the white tee markers are currently being placed. The course will be rerated in 2024 and this will be addressed. We want to make sure we have a set of tees for everyone, even if it means creating a combo/blended set, much like the white/gold set at Hyannis.

Director of Golf Report- Jesse Schechtman

Not much to report with regards to the clubhouse. We are still formulating a plan to address some unrelated building issues that can hopefully be taken care of during the construction. The pro shop trailer has been working well, however more/better signage is needed. Gimmy's is working on getting a food truck up and running. A discussion takes place about potential seating areas for post-round food and beverage, including the possibility of utilizing the deck. We cannot reach out to any other catering companies because we have a contract with Gimmy's. We have hired an Operations Assistant named Ryan White to replace Mike Collopy, he starts in couple weeks. Also, David Kissane has given his notice. We will be going through the process to replace him over the next month or so. We are very short-staffed and have new employees in need of training. Quota starts May 1st. We will be switching back to the regular front and back nines at Hyannis – all play will start on the first hole. Men's and Ladies leagues at Olde Barnstable start very soon. Emails will be sent out promoting each. Revenue is very solid, up \$385,000 over forecast through the end of March. Annual Pass sale numbers are very similar for this time last year. Town Council approved the transfer of \$65,000 from reserves into our operating budget to accommodate the insurance deductible and increased credit card processing fees.

MOTION TO ADJOURN duly made BY Jason Aubee SECONDED by Bill Sylva.

Roll Call Vote: All in favor

Adjourn; 6:30 pm

Respectfully submitted

Susan Shanley

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