

Bernards Township Golf Advisory Committee
Minutes –June 18, 2018 – 7:00 PM
Municipal Building, 1 Collyer Lane
APPROVED, September 17, 2018

1. CALL TO ORDER

M. Conley called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act of 1975. The Committee saluted the flag and the roll was called.

2. ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sharon Cepeda
Michael Conley
John Gunning
John Meany (A6:12)
Timothy O'Rourke
Peter Tobia

Members Absent:

Carolyn Gaziano
Michael Conley, Jr.

Non-Members Present:

Jen Gander, Director
Jack McGrath, Course Supervisor
Kelly Kellaway, Recording Secretary
Matt Sullivan, Shearon Environmental
Brian Sherman, 123 Blackburn Rd.
Courtney Sherman, 123 Blackburn Rd.
Michael Sherman, 123 Blackburn Rd.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. March 19, 2018 Meeting Minutes

- i. Motion was made by P. Tobia to accept the March 19, 2018 Minutes as presented and seconded by J. Gunning. All were in favor, motion passed.

4. CORRESPONDENCE

- A. None

5. REPORTS

A. Shearon Golf Report

- i. M. Sullivan reported that greens were scheduled to be sprayed. We are mowing all the rough and should be completed by the end of the day Friday. Rough machine has been fixed.

B. Directors Report – J. Gander

- i. 2018 Membership and Revenue
 - a. J. Gander updated the Committee on membership and revenue numbers to date for 2018 and in comparison to 2017.
- ii. USGA Donation
 - a. J. Gander updated the Golf Advisory Committee on the USGA Donation of the Solo Rider Cart. The USGA would like to do an unveiling of the cart and will plan something for employees who contributed to the purchase.
- iii. Hole Sponsorships
 - a. J. Gander updated the Golf Advisory Committee that Shearon Environmental sponsored Hole 6.

C. Operations Supervisor's Report

- i. Try the Course Review—Try the course promotion was Tuesdays and Thursdays in May and we had a good response.
- ii. Tournaments – Mayor's Cup, Veterans Appreciation, Breakfast Scramble—We had 12 groups for the Mayor's Cup and the course was in good shape. We closed tee boxes and seeded and opened up for the Mayor's Cup tournament.
- iii. Rounds Played—We are down significantly since the course has been closed a lot due to weather this year. This past weekend was the first weekend we were able to be open the entire weekend and we opened the season three weeks late.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Minimum Age to Play the Course

- i. Motion was made by J. Meany to reduce the minimum age to play to be 8 years old and to include that children under the age of 12 must be supervised at all times. Chaperone must be 15 years or older and must be a paid guest or member, playing in the same group as the child. No walkers. Motion was seconded by S. Cepada. All were in favor, motion passed.

B. Guidelines for Use of Accessible Golf Cart

- i. The Golf Advisory Committee discussed the guidelines for use of accessible golf cart.

Establishing guidelines for use by members and their guests.

- Cart must be reserved at least 24 hours in advance by making a tee time. Maximum 7 days in advance per current tee time policy.
- A time allotment of 2.5 hours will be reserved following the tee time.
- Golfer should arrive at least 15 minutes prior to their tee time for cart orientation and instruction.
- Staff reserves the right to end use if guidelines for operation are not followed or cannot safely be followed.
- Staff reserves the right to restrict use of the cart during wet conditions when use may result in damage to the course.

Motion was made by S. Cepada to accept the proposed guidelines as stated above and was second by P. Tobia. All were in favor, motion passed.

C. 2018 Prorated Memberships

- i. P. Tobia made a motion to offer prorated memberships with the same discount for the 2018 golf season. Motion was second by J. Meany and all were in favor, motion passed.

7. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Course Promotion—J. Gander asked that Golf Advisory Committee members continue to send her ideas for ways to promote the course.

8. COMMITTEE AND STAFF COMMENTS

- A. None.

9. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- A. None.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn was made by P. Tobia and seconded by S. Cepada. All in favor; motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Kelly Kellaway
Recording Secretary