

**BERNARDS TOWNSHIP - GOLF ADVISORY COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

June 10, 2020 at 7:02 PM

APPROVED, July 20, 2020

This meeting was conducted using Zoom Video Conferencing.

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. FLAG SALUTE
3. ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Greg Angelillo A. 7:20pm, L. 7:45pm
Michael Conley
John Gunning
Ana McCarthy
John Meany
Timothy O'Rourke
Peter Tobia, L 7:53pm

Members Absent:

James Baldassare

Non-Members Present:

Carmen Misale, Golf Course Supervisor
Matt Sullivan, Shearon
Jen Gander, Director
Kelly Kellaway, Recording Secretary
Sean O'Grady, Assistant Director

4. MINUTES

- A. Approval of the May 6, 2020 Meeting Minutes—
 - i. Motion was made by M. Conley to approve the May 6, 2020 minutes as presented. Motion was seconded by P. Tobia. All were in favor, motion passed.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

- A. None

6. REPORTS

- A. Shearon Golf Report – Matt Sullivan
 - i. M. Sullivan reported the course is looking good and he will be spraying Friday morning for greens and he did fairways last week. P. Tobia commented and would like a path designated for the walk back from 9 to the parking lot, to avoid the wet area and direct golfers around the practice green. M. Sullivan will cut it back and J. Gander can have DPW drop off woodchips when ready. M. Sullivan will check out the fescue for poison ivy along 2, left of 5 and right of

#7. Number 1 tee has some burned out spots that need to be attended to and on the approach on #2 some dead spots creeping in. Tee on #2 if we can round it like #6 would line it up better. The 9th tee could be rounded as well to make it better. Widen the 7th fairway approximately 10ft. Front of #9 needs to be aerated and attended to. Want to rope off beginning part of Hole #1 to allow it to heal and grow in.

B. Director's Report – Jennifer Gander

- i. Current membership count is 578. We are still getting a lot of new memberships. People have been very happy with the conditions of the course.

C. Operations Supervisor's Report – Carmen Misale

- i. C. Misale stated that they are getting a lot of positive feedback from the members on the conditions of the course. They are processing a high amount of advance cancellation/changes to tee time reservations, but not many no shows if any. Waiting to confirm if a recent Executive Order rolled back some course restrictions and will adjust tee time spacing to every 15 minutes as soon as permitted.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT—None

8. NEW BUSINESS

- D. Plan to Reinstate Guest Privileges—J. Gander proposed allowing guests weekdays starting Monday and then we will start weekend the following weekend. We will still require guest passes to be prepaid online, as we will not be taking cash at the course. P. Tobia made motion and A. McCarthy second to allow guests as presented. All were in favor, motion passed.
- E. Singles Play Policy—C. Misale commented that he has a few singles request to play along for health reasons due to Covid-19, typically during the week at non-peak times. Singles to play alone and not be paired up with someone else can schedule tee times M-Thursday from 11:00am-to the last tee time prior to 3:00pm. Saturday and Sunday starting at 1:00pm. Single are not permitted to play on Fridays. J. Gunning made the motion to approve the new policy and second by M. Conley. All were in favor, motion passed.

9. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Healthcare Appreciation Proposal from John Meany

- i. The Golf Advisory Committee discussed, and J. Meany's made a motion to allow all VA Healthcare staff free use of the golf course at anytime the course is open, motion was second by M. Conley. The committee members noted that they appreciated all the work healthcare staff are performing during this time. They also discussed the challenges with tee time availability and free play for an extended amount of time.

Roll Call

Aye: J. Meany

Nay: J. Gunning, T. O'Rourke, A. McCarthy, M. Conley
Abstain:
Motion denied.

10. COMMITTEE AND STAFF COMMENTS –J. Gander mentioned that G. Angelillo suggested that we reinstate pull cart rentals. Members would purchase a punch card online for 10 cart rentals for \$30.00 and carts would be wiped down after each use.

M. Conley asked what the status of the driving range is. J. Gander reported that the Golf Foundation does not believe they will be able to open the Driving Range this year due to budgetary issues with COVID-19, but would like to announce this year that they will be opening in 2021.

11. ADJOURNMENT

A. Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by A. McCarthy and second by J. Gunning. All were in favor, motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:18pm

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Kellaway