

**RECREATION COMMISSION
MINUTES
APRIL 30, 2021**

Board or Commission: Recreation
Meeting: Regular
Quorum: Yes

Called to Order: 7:04A.M.
Adjourned: 8:14A.M.

MEMBER ATTENDANCE:

Tim O'Shea	Chairman	Present
Rebecca Austin	Commissioner	Present
Brian Diver	Commissioner	Excused Absence
Glen G. Graham	Commissioner	Present
Alison Park	Commissioner	Present
Mark W. Reinke	Commissioner	Excused Absence
Carol Scott	Commissioner	Present
Patrick Hohe	Student Commissioner	Excused Absence

Also, Present:

Jeff Vesevick	General Manager / Staff Liaison	Present
Steve Thompson	Liaison Trustee	Present
Mark Franz	Village Manager	Excused Absence
Brad Chapple	Food and Beverage Director	Present
Tom Fota	Executive Chef	Excused Absence
Mike Campbell	Golf Professional	Excused Absence
Noel Allen	Director of Golf	Present
Andrew Cross	Golf Course Superintendent	Present

A. CALL TO ORDER

The April 30, 2021 meeting of the Recreation Commission was called to order at 7:04A.M. at the Village Links of Glen Ellyn; 485 Winchell Way; Glen Ellyn, Illinois by Chairman O'Shea.

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM MARCH 26, 2021 MEETING

1. MOVE TO APPROVE MINUTES OF MEETING FROM 3/26/21 AS PRESENTED.

RESULT: Motion Unanimously Carried
MOVER: Commissioner Scott
SECONDER: Commissioner Park
AYES: Austin, Graham, O'Shea, Park, and Scott
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Diver and Reinke

D. 2021 GOLF COURSE OPERATIONS PRESENTATION – ANDREW CROSS

Golf Course Superintendent Andrew Cross discussed the golf course's 2020 challenges, 2020 accomplishments, and 2021 goals. Some of the 2020 Challenges included: the COVID pandemic, minimum staff levels to reduce COVID exposure, training difficulties due to social distancing requirements, retraining staff on new operational procedures, weed control, divot management with limited staff, and learning the nuances of a new course and staff during a busy season.

The 2020 accomplishments included: improved weed control on playing surfaces, range maintenance was placed on a schedule, the range tees were lowered, achieved Audubon International recertification, purchased new mowers, cleared-out native areas, cleaned and reorganized maintenance facilities, increased rolling and top dressings, instituted a new aerification process, achieved efficiencies with new mowing patterns, improved disease control, and removed 90 dying and dead trees.

The 2021 goals include: improve overall playability, enhance weed control, open up course views, refresh Clubhouse landscaping, add more flower drip irrigation, tree and stump removal, establish a safety-first culture, unify property look for accessories, detail work on bench areas and course beds, evaluate and further refine maintenance practices, and redo bunker practice area. Chairman O'Shea inquired about staffing levels for the maintenance department. Golf Course Superintendent Andrew Cross replied he is six (6) people down. A new Assistant Golf Course Superintendent started on Thursday, April 29, 2021.

E. STANDING REPORTS

1. Manager – Jeff Vesevick

General Manager Vesevick said March weather was good for golf and Reserve 22. The course opened on March 18, 2021. This was only the third time in the last 10 years that golf rounds exceeded 2,000 for the month of March. General Manager Vesevick estimated April will be even better. The PGA junior league is still strong and is the third largest program in the country. Chairman O'Shea said he was surprised the number of participants in the permanent tee time program did not go up. Director of Golf Allen explained the number of groups in the lottery did increase, but when they did not receive their favored time slot, they dropped out of the program. General Manager Vesevick noted the number of resident cards purchased this year is over prior years. General Manager Vesevick noted staff received many inquiries about golf outings. General Manager Vesevick noted Marketing Strategist Julie Rusin is busy promoting the Links and Reserve 22 through the app and sending out email blasts.

2. Reserve 22 – Brad Chapple

Food and Beverage Director Chapple noted the good weather in March brought many guests to the restaurant. As the weather improves, Reserve 22 will need to strike a balance between carry-out offerings and dining-in orders over the next months. Easter brunch was a success with tables spaced apart and there was a carry-out package as well. Staff is reviewing catering options for the tent this summer. General Manager

Vesevick noted with the tent's additional capacity, the kitchen will not be able to keep up, which is why staff is looking into catering options.

3. Financial - Jeff Vesevick

General Manager Vesevick noted cash reserve levels increased by \$96,000 in March, which was partly due to deferred revenues. Reserve 22 performed really well and cut loses by \$30,000, due to lower labor costs. Chairman O'Shea asked future reports to include 2019 financials so better comparisons can be made. General Manager Vesevick will provide this information on future reports. General Manager Vesevick projected the Links cash position will be somewhere between average and best for 2021. Chairman O'Shea asked that the financials include year-end cash balances.

4. Trustee Liaison – Steve Thompson

Trustee Thompson updated the Recreation Commission on the recent Village Board activities.

F. OLD BUSINESS

General Manager Vesevick noted at the next meeting capital improvement projects will be discussed and said a portion of the debt service payments will fall off after 2022.

G. NEW BUSINESS

None.

H. NEXT MEETING MAY 28, 2021

I. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Park moved and Commissioner Graham seconded, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:14A.M.

Submitted by Aileen Haslett, Recording Secretary

Reviewed by General Manager Jeff Vesevick