

**RECREATION COMMISSION
MINUTES
JUNE 24, 2022**

Board or Recreation
Commission:
Meeting: Regular
Quorum: Yes

Called to
Order: 7:02A.M.
Adjourned: 8:22A.M.

MEMBER ATTENDANCE:

Mark Reinke	Chair	Present
Rebecca Austin	Commissioner	Present
Glen G. Graham	Commissioner	Present
Carol Scott	Commissioner	Present
Brian Diver	Commissioner	Present
Tony Coconate	Commissioner	Present
Tom Slowinski	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	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 June 24, 2022 meeting of the Recreation Commission was called to order at 7:02A.M. at the Village Links of Glen Ellyn; 485 Winchell Way; Glen Ellyn, Illinois by Chair Reinke.

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM MAY 27, 2022 MEETING

1. MOVE TO APPROVE MINUTES OF MEETING FROM 5/27/22 AS PRESENTED.

RESULT: Motion Unanimously Carried
MOVER: Commissioner Scott
SECONDER: Commissioner Coconate
AYES: Austin, Coconate, Diver, Graham, Reinke, Scott, and Slowinski
NAYES: None
ABSENT: None

D. STANDING REPORTS

1. Manager – Jeff Vesevick

General Manager Vesevick said May was overall a pretty warm month. Heavy rain was experienced in the earlier and later part of the month. Even with the rain, May 2022 was the second best ever May in the last 12 years. Carts were grounded for 13 days due to the rain. Rounds played were down 13% in May and 30% down for the year. Green fees were down 13% and 28% down for the year. Director of Golf Allen continues to book outings, which will be on par with last year's totals. The "Have One On Us" event was held on Friday, May 27, 2022 and Saturday, May 28, 2022 and attracted 710 golfers. Director of Golf Allen noted all the golf slots were filled. This year, participants enjoyed the electronic scoreboard. Staff secured a food truck on Friday night to help cater the event. Director of Golf Allen said he made some notes for next year and the event will probably move back to the first week in June with food options on both days. Commissioner Scott suggested there would probably be more participation if the event was not held over the Memorial Day weekend.

Golf Course Superintendent Cross discussed the Grounds crew activities in May. The landscaping contractor was relieved of their duties for failure to perform their responsibilities. Trustee Thompson inquired if a new contractor will be hired. Golf Course Superintendent Cross replied staff will be keeping the work in-house moving forward. Commissioner Austin suggested an annual clean-up by an outside contractor. Golf Course Superintendent Cross has been working on obtaining quotes for the Master Plan. Commissioner Graham said the golf course looks great and noted the tee boxes are beginning to show a little bit of wear. Chair Reinke commended Golf Course Superintendent Cross's course maintenance efforts.

2. Reserve 22 – Jeff Vesevick

General Manager Vesevick said with the patio being closed for some days in May due to the rain, Reserve 22 sales were down 13% for the month. Discussion ensued regarding the service levels at Reserve 22. Banquets had another strong month and were slightly better than 2019, which was the best month on record. Staff is currently recruiting for a new Banquet Manager. Interviews for the new Food and Beverage Director will take place next week. Once the Food and Beverage Director position is filled the Restaurant Manager opening will be publicized and filled. General Manager Vesevick noted staff has really stepped up during this time and have been compensated for doing so.

Commissioner Coconate suggested improving the marketing of the job openings because these positions have great benefits. Commissioner Austin suggested placing the opening on the Village Links Instagram page. Commissioner Diver suggested taking more of digital approach to filling these positions. Commissioner Diver added staff should consider spending more money to raise the digital profile for these openings and offered to help staff proceed with this approach.

3. Financial – Jeff Vesevick

Commissioner Diver said costs seemed a little higher this month. Stormwater management costs were discussed. Trustee Thompson would like to see these expenses allocated to another area of the Village, so the golf course business is completely separated. Village Manager Franz indicated it may be time to create a separate parks fund. Chair Reinke noted the Village Links cash reserves are still in a better spot than in the past. General Manager Vesevick agreed the Links is doing fairly well this year.

4. Trustee Liaison – Steve Thompson

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

E. OLD BUSINESS

1. Panfish Park – Updates

Golf Course Superintendent Cross said the RFP for Panfish Park is out and he had a pre-bid meeting with three (3) potential contractors and email correspondence with two (2) other firms. Golf Course Superintendent Cross said there is interest from engineering firms to submit proposals. The bid opening will take place on June 30, 2022. The proposals will be reviewed and then a recommendation will be made to the Board in July. Commissioner Slowinski offered to help review the request for proposals. Village Manager Franz noted the Glen Ellyn Park District is not interested in managing the ponds at Panfish Park.

F. NEW BUSINESS

None.

G. NEXT MEETING – 7/29/2022

H. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Diver moved and Commissioner Slowinski seconded, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:22A.M.

Submitted by Aileen Haslett, Recording Secretary

Reviewed by General Manager Jeff Vesevick