



Minutes
Village of Glen Ellyn
Recreation Commission
Special Meeting
December 8, 2023
8:00 AM
Village Links/Reserve 22

Board or Commission: Recreation
Meeting: Special
Quorum: Yes

Date: December 8, 2023
Called to Order: 8:01 a.m.
Adjourned: 10:16 a.m.

MEMBER ATTENDANCE:

Carol Scott	Chairperson	Present
Nancy Carter	Commissioner	Absent
Tony Coconate	Commissioner	Present
Scott Coldiron	Commissioner	Present
Brian Diver	Commissioner	Present
James Ozog	Commissioner	Present
Tom Slowinski	Commissioner	Present

Also Present:

Jeff Vesevick	General Manager / Staff Liaison	Present
Steve Thompson	Trustee Liaison	Present
Noel Allen	Director of Golf	Present
Andrew Cross	Golf Course Superintendent	Present
Jon Satinover	Food & Beverage Director	Absent
Mike Campbell	Head Golf Professional	Present

A. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The December 8, 2023 meeting of the Recreation Commission was called to order at 8:01 a.m. at the Village Links of Glen Ellyn; 485 Winchell Way; Glen Ellyn, Illinois by Chairperson Scott.

B. Public Comment - None

C. Golf Course Master Plan Discussion – Manager Vesevick outlines the purpose of today's meeting, focusing on a thorough review of the Master Plan submitted by Golf Course Architect Greg Martin. The goal is to identify any necessary changes or additions. Superintendent Cross emphasizes the need for agreement to move the process forward efficiently. One specific concern addressed is the recurring issue with bunkers, particularly during heavy rains. The plan includes a 30% reduction in bunkers on the 18-hole course. Vesevick seeks feedback from the Recreation Commission on the bunker plan presented in the Master Plan, and after discussion, the Recreation Commission finds the current bunker plan acceptable.

Proposed parking lot changes involve altering the orientation to face north/south instead of east/west. Manager Vesevick notes that while the change makes sense, it doesn't seem to add parking spaces, and the exact increase is uncertain. The addition of a footbridge across the pond is acknowledged as a positive feature. The Recreation Commission suggests further evaluation of the parking lot adjustments.

The Recreation Commission reviews each course and hole to decide whether to approve the plan.

9-Hole Course

Hole #1 – Changes include adding bunkers and widening fairway.

Hole #2: Changes include adding a tee box, and extending cart path; fairway moved to north a bit and is slightly smaller. The RC approves changes.

Hole #3: Changes include widening fairway, bunkers will be reconfigured, green fairway is widened, and widening of cart path. The RC approves changes.

Hole #4: Changes include more tee space; fairway gets larger, bunker changes from one to two smaller bunkers. The RC approves changes.

Hole #5: Changes include adding a forward tee box, extending the cart path, fairway moving to the west and increased. The RC approves changes.

Hole #6: Changes include shifting tees and pushing bunkers further back. The RC approves changes.

Hole #7: Changes include adding 2 forward tees and shortening the fairway while moving it north. Bunkers removed on the left of the green. The RC approves changes.

Hole #8: Changes include opening up the entryway to the green, left bunker shifts further left and some bail-out to the left.

Hole #9: Changes include shifting current bunkers and adding additional bunkers.

18-Hole Course

Hole-#1: Changes include the tee becomes one and the putting green expands west and blends into the tee. Fairway bunker is turned slightly. There is also added fairway.

Hole-#2: Changes include shortened fairway. Reduced bunkers on the left from three to one bunker. The RC approves.

Hole-#3: Changes include cart path changes, tees shift slightly to the left and the hole is reduced in space compared to the other holes. The Recreation Commission suggests expanding the hole to achieve a similar square footage as the other holes, noting that there is ample space for widening.

Hole #4: Changes include widening fairway and removing fairway bunkers.

Hole #5: Changes include adding more forward tees, losing the back bunker. The RC suggests adding the bunker back.

Hole #6: Changes include adding forward tee and widening fairway, left side bunkers go from two to one.

Hole #7: Changes include fairway shortens and gets wider, three bunkers go to one, up by green it is going to two bunkers on left instead of three.

Hole #8: Changes include cart path changes, fairway is shortened but gets wider

Hole #9: Changes include forward tee becomes longer, fairway bunker on left becomes larger.

Hole #10: Changes include shortening and widening the fairway, reducing bunkers from two to one in the fairway. The Recreation Commission recommends adding an additional forward tee.

Hole #11: Changes include a slight tee box reconfiguration and cart path. Reason for cart path change is to bring the shelter on 14 closer and makes the left side more accessible.

Hole #12: Changes include right side of hole goes from three bunkers to two.

Hole #13: Changes include right side bunkers shift forward, fairway widens with three bunkers on left.

Hole #14: Changes include forward tee addition, bunkers go from one to two, left side goes from two bunkers to one.

Hole #15: Changes include shortening of fairway, reducing bunkers to one on fairway. The RC suggests reducing some of the bunkers on the left.

Hole #16: Changes include shortening of fairway and widening on the left side and an addition of forward tee. Bunker added on left side.

Hole #17: Changes include losing 1,000 feet of tee space on the left side and a slightly shortened fairway.

Hole #18: Changes include reducing options, shortening the carry over water, widening and shifting the fairway away from the parking lot. The overall configuration of the 18th hole undergoes significant modifications. Vesevick raises the question of whether these alterations will maintain the hole's memorability and challenge. The Recreation Commission notes that the addition of a larger body of water adds significance, making it an iconic and memorable signature hole.

Driving Range – Changes include tee expansion, addition of practice bunker and addition of target greens.

Practice Area – The placement of the bunker in this plan is subject to adjustment.

Manager Vesevick asks the Recreation Commission if they have any major opposition to any part of the Master Plan.

Golf Course Changes - Commissioner Slowinski recommends exploring two options for Hole #18 in the next iteration, with a focus on potential improvements, including

fairways on both sides.

Commissioner Coconate suggests that including a rendering would be beneficial.

The Recreation Commission expressed no significant concerns with the presented Master Plan.

Parking Lot – Manager Vesevick suggests conducting a more comprehensive analysis of the benefits gained from the parking lot and proposes involving a civil engineer to review the parking lot plan in detail.

Manager Vesevick will summarize the comments and will distribute to the Recreation Commission for additional feedback and consideration.

D. NEXT MEETING - January 26, 2024

E. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Ozog motions and Commissioner Slowinski seconds to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 10:16 a.m.

Submitted by Elisa Pollina, Recording Secretary

Reviewed by Jeff Vesevick, Staff Liaison