

City of Santa Barbara Parks and Recreation Department

GOLF COURSE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (GAC)
Wednesday, January 16, 2019
Special Meeting Minutes

Dominic Namnath called the Regular Golf Course Advisory Committee meeting to order at 4:30 pm in the Parks and Recreation Department Conference Room.

Roll Call

Committee members present

Dominic Namnath (Chair)

John Craig

Joanne Kavanagh-Payne

James Patterson Frank Beeler

Michael Woodard

Larry Nowlin

Others Present

Jill Zachary, Parks and Recreation Director

Mark Sewell, Accounting Manager

Randy Shannon, General Manager Mario Medina, Mulligans' Café and Bar

Jesse Seguin, Golf Course Superintendent

Committee members absent

Maureen 'Mo' Masson

Changes to the Agenda

Dominic Namnath welcomed new member, Frank Beeler to the Committee following appointment by the Parks and Recreation Commission in December 2018.

Written Communications

None

Public Comment

None

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Approval Of Minutes

The Golf Advisory Committee waived the reading, and approved the minutes of the meeting of

November 7, 2018.

Motion to Approve: John Craig Second: Larry Nowlin

Aye: Dominic Namnath, Jo Kavanagh-Payne, Michael Woodard, John Craig, Larry

Nowlin.

<u>Abstain:</u> Frank Beeler.

Result: Motion Passes 5-0

ADMINISTRATIVE AND STAFF REPORT

2. Golf Course Performance

Randy Shannon provided a verbal report to the committee reviewing performance for the first six months of Fiscal Year 2019. Revenue performance at mid-year is 4% below budget, yet 8% above the same time in FY2018 demonstrating good underlying growth in rounds played and the impact that the Thomas Fire made to revenues in December 2018. The Russ Morrison Junior program end of season tournament was a success, with approximately 50 youth playing in the event held in November 2018. The Golf Club held a well-attended Holiday themed fun day on December 9th, with lots of activities for the children in attendance. Randy advised the committee that a new Head Golf Professional has been hired and will commence work shortly.

3. Golf Maintenance Report

Jesse Seguin updated the committee on maintenance in November and December 2018, making specific reference to recent purchases of essential equipment that will enable the maintenance team to be more efficient and provide even better playing conditions. Jesse updated the committee with storm preparation plans that the maintenance team have been implementing in anticipation and response to rains. The committee heard that the City had received three bids for bunker renovation to which the City negotiated a contract for the complete renovation, including new drainage for the following eleven (11) bunkers:

- Hole 5, 1 x Greenside bunker,
- Hole 8, 2 x Greenside bunkers,
- Hole 10, 3 x Greenside bunkers,
- Hole 12, 1 x Greenside bunker,
- Hole 15, 1 x Greenside bunker
- Hole 18, 3 x Greenside bunkers.

Construction is due to commence at the end of January, weather permitting and be completed within 28 days.

4. Player Improvement Fund Sub-Committee (PIFSC) Report

John Craig, Chair of the PIFSC advised the committee that he had completed an annual report for the activities of the PIFSC.

5. Concession Report

Mario Medina informed the committee that Mulligans Café is trading well and celebrated 25 years at Santa Barbara Golf Club in December 2018. Mulligans Café will be hosting a fundraiser in aid of Holistic Learning Sanctuary on January 19th as part of the celebrations of 25 years at Santa Barbara Golf Club.

6. Home Club Reports

The Committee received reports from the home club representatives regarding membership levels and club activity. Men's Club is now 360 members strong. The Men's Club defeated the Los Paisanos home club in their annual match play tournament in December 2018 by 23-12.

The LPGA Amateur Golf Association will be hosting its winter social at Santa Barbara Winery on Thursday January 24th and encourage anyone interested to attend and join their club.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5.47 pm.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING

The next meeting will be held on: Wednesday February 13, 2019. 4.30 pm Parks and Recreation Conference Room. 620 Laguna Street, Santa Barbara