

GOLF COMMISSION MINUTES
for
May 24, 2022 MEETING

ATTENDED: Dean Godek, Daniel Michael, Michael Dobise, Rich Hardina & David Wheeler

GUESTS: Tom DiRico, Dan Shay & Mayor Sapelli

Tom's report:

The budget for fiscal year 2022-2023 is going to be \$900,000. The golf course employees' benefits is now being paid from the golf course budget. That is going to add around \$60,000. This fiscal year budget is \$761,000 with a projected revenue \$900,000-\$960,000. We will have a surplus to add to the enterprise fund.

Our food and beverage has been strong. We serve 8:30 am-9:00pm Monday through Friday. Saturday and Sunday until 6:00pm.

Our leagues are strong. There is a possible league that might come back next year.

Monday 1

Tuesday 2

Wednesday 2

Thursday 2

Friday 1. We only want one league so we can encourage 18 play.

Had a bid outing with the tent still up. 120 players. June 25th another big outing that we will need to rent tent table and chairs.

The cell tower is up and functioning. Meeting with Dan and Verizon's reps. Verizon will have to fix the easement, so they have access.

The amount of revenue that will come in is \$1,994 per month. It will go into a revenue account. The golf course cannot have access to these funds currently. If other carriers were added to the tower, the revenue would go up.

A greens roller was just sold for \$7,300. It was not being used by the maintenance staff. The money was put towards a blower.

Dan M: is the controversy dying down about the enterprise fund. Can we move to the general fund?

Mayor: If we want to maintain the golf course and keep it open, we need to be self-sufficient. The departments that have an enterprise fund is water, sewer and golf course.

Dan M: As we make more money, it seems like we need to absorb more costs.

Dean: All the costs are going up, fuel, and food labor.

Dan S: We had a US junior kid's tournament. It was well attended. Many parents following their kids. It is a way to show off our course and conditions.

Tom: The new patio will be going in soon. We had two to three contractors come up and look at the project. They did a good job with their presentations. The bids should be open in a day or two. In the next few weeks we should start. It will be a good addition to the course.

I decided not to increase fees. The backbone to our success is our leagues. With the pandemic helping increase our business I want to keep players coming back. In Western MA, they will leave and go somewhere else to save a dollar.

April we did around \$90,000 and should do around \$140,000.

Dean: Dan are you going to aerify the greens?

Dan: If the weather is good and we have enough help, I can use the solid tine aerification.

Dean: How is the equipment holding up?

Dan: The equipment is in good shape

Dean: Are you using the rollers on the tri-plex mowers?

Dan: After it rains, we use the rollers to smooth out the greens.

Dean: What do you have for staff?

Dan: Two full time and two college kids coming on plus part time employees. I feel we are doing well with the amount of employees.

Dean: How about the drainage issues on some of the holes?

Dan: We are working with the head of DPW and in the fall do drainage on holes 1 and 2 plus 6 and 7.

Dan M. made a motion to approve last meeting minutes second by Mike, all in favor

Dan M. made a motion to adjourn at 8:42 all in favor.

Dan Shay report

The next meeting TBA