



# Town of Barnstable Barnstable Golf

Hyannis Golf Course, 1840 Route 132, Hyannis, Ma 02601 (508) 362-2606  
Olde Barnstable Fairgrounds Golf Course, 1460 Route 149, Marstons Mills, Ma 02648 (508) 420-1141  
Director of Golf: Jesse Schechtman

## Golf Committee March 14<sup>th</sup> 2023 Meeting Called to order; 5:30pm Minutes; Draft

Chair Hochstein reads statement in accordance with MGL Ch. 30.A.S.20 regarding public taping at meetings - No one responds as taping the meeting. Chair Hochstein also reads the executive order on remote participation via zoom and that the meeting is being recorded and will air on channel 18 after the meeting concludes

Roll Call:	GEOFFREY CONVERSE	Absent
	JOHN COOKSON	Present
	KEITH HOCHSTEIN	Present
	SUSANNE CONLEY	Absent
	MARK BUSHWAY	Absent
	BILL SYLVA	Present
	JASON AUBEE	Present

ALSO PRESENT; JESSE SCHECHTMAN, JAMES BENTLEY, CHRIS GONNELLA

### Public Comments; NONE

### Act on Minutes from the January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023 meeting

Motion duly made by Bill Sylva to approve the minutes of the January 10<sup>th</sup> Golf Committee meeting seconded by John Cookson.

Roll Call Vote; ALL VOTE YES

### Hyannis GC Clubhouse Update – Chris Gonnella

Chris explains what has been done since the water damage occurred. Removal of all golf merchandise/equipment, ceiling tiles and function room flooring is done. Moisture and asbestos tests have been completed. The pro shop trailer is being setup. This involves both an electrical contractor and the Town I.T. department. The parking lot will need to be reconfigured – handicap parking spaces will be moved. Jesse says we are hoping to open on Monday, March 27<sup>th</sup>. Chris and Jesse talk about using this as an opportunity to make some unrelated however much needed upgrades to the building, including HVAC and ADA issues. Food and beverage service is a work in progress, and we are not yet sure what we'll be able to offer. Questions were asked about the timing of the clubhouse reopening, but we cannot commit to a firm date right now.

### **Director of Golf Maintenance Report – James Bentley**

With regards to the cart path project, prep work should start in the last week of March, and all paving should be done by the end of April. We will be doing all loaming and seeding in-house once they are gone. Keith compliments the staff for getting OBF up and running so quickly. We will be more focused on getting Audubon certified over the next year or so, which includes things like water conservation, Osprey nests and butterfly habitats. This Friday at OBF we will be transplanting a Holly tree from hole #6 to hole #1 to replace the one we lost in the storm in the fall of 2021. The bunker on hole #11 at Hyannis has been renovated to reduce the severity of the lip, and the approach will be sodded. Greens aeration will be at OBF on April 18/19, and at Hyannis will be April 24/25.

### **Director of Golf Report- Jesse Schechtman**

The new cart fleet should be here shortly. The “spring members meeting” will not take place this year. Mike Collopy has left the Golf Division, and we are interviewing replacements now. Keith speaks about Mike’s professionalism and wishes him the best. Keith asks what the qualifications are, Jesse says it’s fairly entry level – we look for trustworthiness and personality more than any specific credentials for this particular position. The variance in the “tournament” line is due to funds being paid out in a different fiscal year than they were taken in. Bill and Jesse agree that line should not be included on the monthly revenue report. Revenue is very solid at \$360K ahead of forecast. We’ll be asking Town Council for a \$65K transfer from our reserve fund - \$25K for the insurance deductible, and \$40K for higher than anticipated credit card processing fees. All three of our CIPs have been recommended to move forward by Finance Director Mark Milne. John asks if that will affect the CIP for the bunkers. Jesse says no, that should still move forward next year. Keith asks for confirmation on the bunker plan. Jesse says FY25 would be the start of a four year plan – beginning with the greenside bunkers at Hyannis. Different possible methods for bunker renovation are discussed. We will also continue elimination some bunkers. John asks if the First Tee program will be affected by the clubhouse issues. Jesse says no.

### **Membership Raffle**

\$100 gift card – Olaf Thorpe  
2023 range pass – Maureen Pacella  
2023 golf course pass – Kyle Jones

### **MOTION TO ADJOURN duly made BY Jason Aubee SECONDED by Bill Sylva.**

Roll Call Vote: All in favor  
Adjourn; 6:39 pm  
Respectfully submitted  
Susan Shanley

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