

Town of Southborough, MA
Meeting Minutes of the Golf Course Committee
Thursday, January 9, 2025 at 9am
Public Safety Training Room
32 Cordaville Road, Southborough, MA 01772

Attendees: Tony Schoener (Chair), Jen Selig, Kathy Coburn, Rosemary Fedorchak (Zoom), Melissa Danza (Zoom), Dick Cruciani, John Allen, Lynne McKay, Joe ?? (New England Golf Turf Manager)

- Call to order at 9:00am
- November 14, 2024 Golf Course Committee meeting minutes unanimously approved
- Rosemary is resigning from the committee due to a move to NH. Jen to take minutes, Tony to schedule meeting room and submit agenda to the town. Looking for new members.
- Continuing Business:
 1. Course improvement planning
 - 1.1. Irrigation Project – The next step for this project is to submit a Notice of Intent to the Conservation Commission. Melissa Danza of the Conservation Commission provided details of the exact documentation needed. This documentation needs to be stamped by a professional engineer (PE). Tony to speak with Bill Harrison and Mark Purple regarding a PE.
 - 1.2. First hole cart path paving - Heavy rain washed current gravel downhill and into the fairway. Path would be approximately 320' x 6'. Proposal has been sent to the Conservation Commission. Cost is estimated to be \$25,000. Selectboard needs to approve.
 - 1.3. Tee refurbishment on holes #3, #5 and #8. Hole #5 will include the addition of a new tee box. Golf Course architect will need to be consulted for this project. Cost estimate for this project if all tee boxes are done at once is \$85,000.
 2. Minimizing wayward golf balls
 - 2.1. Proposed barrier from between the 3rd green and the 4th tee box. Rosemary noted that there are 3 proposals from 3 different vendors. Two are similarly priced, one is nearly double. These proposals will be reviewed by the committee and New England Golf.
 - 2.2. Currently there are no good options for the 7th fairway. Discussion will continue.
 3. Golf Course Revolving Fund - Tony to check amount available for 2025 projects.

4. Audubon Project - no update
5. Women's League - end of season update to be provided by Lynne McKay at a future meeting.
6. Men's League - no update

- Scorecard update - back side wording to include "please be respectful of our neighbors, staff and fellow golfers". Course founding line to be updated to note "Course Established in 1896". (Thanks Dick for this suggestion.)
- Article for mysouthborough blog - Kathy will write and submit for posting in mid-late March
- Next meeting scheduled for February 6, 2025 at 9:00am, Public Safety Building