

**Golf Course Commission Meeting
October 24, 2022
Minutes**

Members Present: Joe Gaudiano (Chairman); Nate Moyer (Vice-Chairman); Tony Ciccaglione; Shelly Dowling; Regina Evans; Owen Evans; Dave Galla; Diana Wheeler

Also Attending: Robert Brown, Director of Golf Operations; Andy Fries, Director Golf Course Properties

Members Absent: Tom Cerulli

Mr. Gaudiano called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Review and Approval of Prior Minutes:

Review and approval of the Minutes of September 26, 2022 . . . A Motion was made by Mrs. Dowling, seconded by Ciccaglione, to approve the minutes as is. Motion carried unanimously (8 – 0)

Audience Participation:

- None

Director Golf Course Properties/Green Committee (Andy Fries, Shelly Dowling):

- See report attached
- The air compressor to purge the irrigation system for the winter is reserved for November 7th due to high demand. It is hoped that the date can be pushed another week or two.

Director of Golf Operations (Bobby Brown):

- See report attached

House Committee (Tony Ciccaglione):

- See report attached
- The paving project is complete. The Maintenance Department must still landscape the area, re-route the irrigation line and create a drainage ditch.

Concessionaire (Domenick Faustini):

- No report given
- Mr. Gaudiano stated that a meeting is scheduled for October 25th between Mr. Faustini, several Commissioners and Mrs. Marie Scott, President of the ladies 18-holers to discuss issues with the food at club events.

Finance (Dave Galla):

- See attached report
- A draft of the FY 2024 budget will be presented at the November Commission for a final vote at the December meeting.

Personnel (Diane Wheeler):

- Mr. Fries was given his 6-month performance review.

Correspondence

- Ms. Marsha Rupp, CSGA Director Women's Golf, Competitions & Development requested Tashua once again host the CSGA Women's Amateur in 2023.

A motion was made by Mr. Gaudiano; seconded by Mr. Moyer to approve the CSGA's Women's Amateur on July 17 and 18, 2023 at no charge. Motion carried unanimously (8- 0).

Old Business:

- None

New Business:

- None

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Mrs. Wheeler at 7:40 PM; seconded by Mr. Galla to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously (8- 0).

Respectfully submitted,

Christine A. Plumeau
Golf Course Commission Clerk

**Golf Course Commission
Green Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes
October 12, 2022**

Members Present: Shelly Dowling (Green Committee Chair), Owen Evans (arrived 10:35 AM)
Andy Fries, Bobby Brown

Mrs. Dowling called the meeting to order at 10:10 AM.

Topics Discussed:

- The September rain highlighted several areas that needs seeding. “Dormant seeding” will continue to be applied throughout the remainder of the season.
- Aeration: Completed – Glen tees and greens; Knolls greens; Glen putting green. Still to be Completed Knolls tees and fairways; Glen fairways; Knolls putting green
- The divot bottles have been put back out on the course but have not been used too much.
- The area on #5 Knolls continues to be mowed every few days. We have received no additional comments to date from neighbors.
- The mechanic position is posted and will expire on October 14th.
- Budget discussions for FY 2024 continue
- The contract for Robert McNeil is being finalized.
- Mr. Fries will look into an Aquatics DEEP license for himself to be able to treat the ponds.
- Mr. Fries will be performing his own course evaluation over the next several weeks.
- The Knolls back 9 has been lined to re-establish wider collars and better mowing patterns.
- A second hydraulic leak has occurred on the range.
- Mr. Brown updated Mr. Fries on the areas that seem to have more leaf activities than others.
- The irrigation heads are being moved next to the cart driveway that will be paved this fall.
- September Weather Report: Some much needed precipitation arrived for a total of 2.5” which was less than normal but a welcome sight and turf has responded favorably. Temperatures were slightly warmer than average.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 10:45 AM

Respectfully submitted,
Christine Plumeau
Administrative Assistant



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GOLF OPERATIONS REPORT Bobby Brown, PGA Director of Golf

Overview:

- The month of September remained busy with a 4 rain days affecting our rounds/revenue..

Golf Operations

- *Weekends 8:30am Shotguns will begin on Saturday, November 5th.
- *November 24th, Annual Thanksgiving Day shotgun at 8:30am. Golf course will close for the remainder of the day after the shotgun. Approximately 2pm.
- *Budget preparations for 2023 are underway and in the final stages
- *All pro shop credit must be used by December 15th, 2022.
- *Rain checks must be used by closing day of the 2022 season.
- *Tashua Glen was closed for aeration on Tuesday, September 26th.
- *Tashua Knolls was partially closed on Monday, October 3rd and Tuesday, October 4th.

Tournaments/Outings

- *Orchards Women Group (Tashua Glen) Canceled due to rain (September)
- *Tashua Men's Club – Member/Guest 92 players
- *Tashua Men's Club – Tashua Cup 56 players
- *HBRA Golf Outing – 146 players
- *Trumbull Fathers Club Fall Classic (October 11th) 92 players
- *AJ DiMasi THS Hockey Memorial 140 players- October 17th

**TASHUA KNOLLS GOLF COMMISSION
SPECIAL PROJECTS/HOUSE COMMITTEE
Commission Meeting Monday, October 24th, 2022**

Topics For discussion

- 0 Need to brush the rear entrance with a Zep cleaner or cover with new paint and sealant. November based on weather.
- 0 Reviewed the property for a Solar installation. Expect a budget proposal in November.
- 0 Paving bid complete. G. Pic was low bidder. Waiting on final award to schedule. November based on weather.
- 0 Review areas for New carpet in club house. Expect install January time frame.
- 0 Main water pipe from the Meter to the Maintenance Barn. Have contractor Matt Suhle to ID exact location. 10/30.
- 0 Roof Repair on final punch list. Completed review with the contractor on 10/7/22. Waiting on final repair date.
- 0 Developing budget for next fiscal year. Additional paving and painting will be included.
- 0 Upgrades required for both Mens/Women bathrooms. Get bids during November. Exact work TBD. Working with Gralor.

Respectfully submitted

Anthony Ciccaglione – Head of House Committee



Tashua Knolls Golf Course
Finance and Budget
October 2022

Income

- Total rounds
 - Knolls – Flat YOY
 - Glenn – up YOY 15%
 - Total rounds up 357 in same period
- Cart Rounds - up 13% YOY
- Income - up 10% YOY
 - 7.5% Knolls
 - 14.5% Glen

Rounds		2021	5-yr. Avg.	2022
Knolls Rounds		5,736	5,304	5,764
Glenn Rounds		2,191	2,321	2,520
Cart Rounds		5,336	5,435	6,030

Income		2021	5-yr. Avg.	2022
Knolls Income		\$258,646.0 0	\$229,447.4 0	\$278,070.0 0
Glenn Income		\$ 56,851.00	\$ 57,383.70	\$ 65,122.00
Total Income		\$316,334.0 0	\$286,787.7 5	\$349,209.0 0

The 5 year average is impacted by COVID-19 course closure in 2020

Expenses

Tashua Golf YTD Budget Report - Fiscal Year 2022/2023

Account Description	Original	Transfer	Revised	YTD	Encumber	As of 10/17/2022
						Available
Salaries-FT/Permanent	433,665		433,665	81,459		352,206
Salaries-PT/Permanent	26,706		26,706	9,626		17,079
Salaries-Seasonal	256,500		256,500	107,592		148,907
Salaries - Overtime	18,000		18,000	2,303		15,696
Salaries- Longevity	850		850	0		850
Uniform Allowance	4,000		4,000	888		3,111
Services & Fees Clerical	840		840	210		630
Services & Fees Professional	223,464		223,464	71,102	152,361	0
Services & Fees Ancillary	17,000		17,000	1,500	6,495	9,005
Services & Fees Contractual	117,283		117,283	106,922		10,361
Svcs Program Expense	2,000		2,000	0		2,000
Reimbursable to GF	288,300		288,300	288,300		0
Materials & Supplies Office	72,000		72,000	10,881	13,469	47,651
Program Supplies	272,000		272,000	67,208	60,936	143,855
Communications PR	1,000		1,000	0		1,000
Professional Dev Conferences	1,750		1,750	0		1,750
Dues	2,100		2,100	480		1,620
Oil, Gas, Grease	18,500		18,500	5,881	6,119	6,500
Travel Reimbursement	500		500	98		402
Maintenance Repair Contracts	22,943		22,943	3,473	10,587	881
Maintenance Equipment/Building	101,500		101,500	30,063	17,799	53,636
Refuse	2,761		2,761	920	1,840	0
Capital Outlay	95,000	106,646	201,646	0	189,965	11,680
Leases	106,462		106,462	0	67,290	39,171
Occasional Rentals	3,000		3,000	0		0
Heat	7,450		7,450	2,915		4,534
Electricity	48,500		48,500	11,992		36,507
Water	54,500		54,500	23,242		31,579
Telephone/Internet	1,560		1,560	389		1,170
Interest on Bonds	28,052		28,052	13,830		14,222
Principal on Bonds	251,961		251,961	224,000		27,961
TOTAL TASHUA KNOLLS BUDGET	2,480,147	106,646	2,586,793	1,065,274	526,861	983,964
TOTAL TASHUA KNOLLS EXPENSES						
Tashua Knolls Income (MUNIS)				1,093,571		
Misc. Revenue (Rent)				17,358		
TOTAL INCOME				1,110,929		
NON BUDGET EXPENSES						
Credit Card Fees				31,015		
Golf Car Taxes				13,950		
Banking Fees				0		
ATK Tournament Fees				5,480		
TOTAL NON-BUDGET EXPENSES				50,445		

Miscellaneous Finance

- ForeUp discussions
- 2023-2024 Budget in process.
 - Anticipated presentation at November meeting for December board vote

From: mrupp@csgalinks.org,

To: jakiboo@aol.com,

Subject: 58th Conn. Women's Amateur - Request for Tashua Knolls to Host

Date: Mon, Oct 24, 2022 5:24 pm

Attachments: 2023 Connecticut Women's Am Parameters (1) (2).pdf (43K)

Dear Board of Governors at TKGc,

Based on the resounding success and popularity of last year's Conn. Women's Amateur, the CSGA proudly asks Tashua Knolls Golf Course to host once again in 2023.

In 2022, TKGc gained even further notoriety by hosting this prestigious event, one of two major women's competitions in the state. Tashua Knolls and Bobby Brown have an impressive reputation in the golfing community of supporting Women's and Girls Golf in CT and that was very evident last year. Bobby, your superintendent Andy Fries and his staff, Owen Evans, and the catering staff all did an outstanding job for us creating a wonderful event for the players.

As you may recall, the event is 36 holes of competition, 18 holes of stroke play on each day. We offer divisional titles and trophies for the Junior, Mid-Am, Senior and Super Senior levels, as well as the overall Championship title. Last year we had several first-time junior players that are affiliated with TKGc's instructional programs join the field and expect even more will follow in 2023, testing their abilities in a professionally run state championship event. Seniors and Super Seniors flocked to TKGc last year also, and many expressed that they wished the Amateur could be held here every year!

Boasting competitors with ages from 12 to over 70 this Championship is truly a multi-generational event for girls and women and fits your mission to grow the game of golf in Connecticut. The last five champions have been a college senior (21), college freshman (19), a high school senior (17) a high school freshman (15) and last year a college junior (21)!

We are finding players enjoy returning to familiar sites for competition and have a few of our boys and men's events held at the same venues each year. On the Women's side we believe playing the Women's Amateur at TKGc once again will generate that same kind of enthusiasm and excitement around the state.

The CSGA would like to return to Tashua Knolls on Monday and Tuesday, July 17 & 18, 2023 for the 58th playing of the Women's Amateur. Once again, the course will receive much publicity with feature stories, results, photos and interviews on our CSGA website and social media accounts. As host of the event, Tashua Knolls will have the opportunity to provide practice rounds, buffet lunches and misc. restaurant orders, carts for players who opt to ride, and will receive merchandise prize credit for the winners.

As a refresher, attached is a worksheet describing these parameters in more detail with estimated revenue projections for your review.

Thank you for your consideration and please let us know if we can provide any further information. We hope to see you again in July 2023!

Respectfully,

Marsha Rupp

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