

Pinecrest Golf Course Advisory Committee Meeting October 27, 2022

The Meeting was held remotely by Zoom.

Present: Deborah Moore, Chryso Lawless, Larry Wise, Mike Sarsfield, Bob Smith (joined at 7:50). Guest: Tim Smith, and James Keast, Facilities manager

Deborah Moore called the meeting to order at 7:30 and read the remote participation statement.

1. The Minutes (as revised) from the 9/20/22 meeting were moved for approval by Larry Wise. Seconded by Mike Sarsfield. Approved unanimously.
2. Tim Smith has applied to the Select Board to be an associate member of the Committee. The Committee asked Tim questions about his experience and interest in serving. Tim owns a business in Medfield that installs irrigation systems. He is also a golfer and his industry experience means he is familiar with golf course maintenance and design. In the past, Tim provided irrigation systems to the practice green of Pinecrest at no cost to the course. Tim stated that he is glad to serve Holliston as a member of the GCAC. Larry made a motion to accept Tim and recommend him to the Select Board. Chryso seconded the motion and the roll call vote was unanimous in favor.

3. James Keast made his facilities report.

-The well at Pine Oak St. has an easement that allows access to the golf course. It has a large unused storage tank and it producing water. Regarding the water main connection at Highland St: James talked to Sean Reese and the plan is to review the Highland St connection, trim brush, evaluate the equipment for potential emergency use for Pinecrest in case of drought.

--Wetlands are impacted with the planned renovation of the front 9 holes. We need to file a Notice of Intent (NOI) with the DEP. Epsilon Associates will file the NOI for a fee of \$9,950. Discussion followed re: why other repairs in the past have not needed an NOI. Answer: regulations have changed and this is a larger project. The motion to approve the fee and file the NOI was made by Mike Sarsfield, second by Chryso. Approved by roll call vote.

--Golf Cart storage structure. James described it: it will be a post and beam shed which will cover the carts where they are now parked. Solar panels on the roof will be self financed with the solar revenues and paid for with a low interest note.

-- Work on building the patio will start in 2 weeks.

--DPW location update. No new developments since town meeting approved a non binding vote to purchase non town property for the new location of the DPW garage.

Site selection continues to be in process. Axton Cross tax takeover will occur within 3-6 months.

---Septic pump. Operation is that the tanks carry up to a third tank. Two pumps alternately pump up the hill to the third tank above the driving range. James Keast recommended that when one fails it be replaced for approximately \$25,000.

---Tree update. Sean Reese looked at dead trees on back nine and identified about a dozen. DPW will take them down when the course closes and the ground freezes.

4. Bob Smith had no updates on the water conservation project. We approved payment of a \$116,000 water bill.
5. The Holliston Historical Society was happy to get the old chairs from the clubhouse.
6. Mike Sarsfield noted the need for a baby changing platform in the mens' room and an additional parking sign. Both were approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:02.

Submitted, Chryso Lawless