

**PARAMUS GOLF COMMISSION MINUTES**  
**Wednesday April 9<sup>th</sup> 2025**  
**Call to order 6:30 pm by Andy Schuckers, CGCS**

**Pledge of allegiance: 6:30pm**

**Roll call: 6:31pm**

**Present:** Jeff Lepselter, Jack Brunner, Robert Bonino, Jim Luciano, John Carpentieri, Chris Kim.

**Not Present:** Steve Waxman, Alfredo Nadera & Vando Cardoso

**Also present:** Andy Schuckers, Sean Callanan, Anthony Romeo.

**Approval of minutes from February 12th meeting:** Motion to approve: Jack Brunner  
Second: Robert Bonino.

**Approval of minutes from March 12th meeting:** Motion to approve: Robert Bonino  
Second: Jack Brunner.

**Next meeting: Scheduled for May 14<sup>th</sup> 2025** at 6:30 pm at Borough Hall Caucus room.

**Correspondence, Letters & Incident Reports:**

- Restaurant repair: Letter from repair company attorney for unpaid services rendered for the dishwash machine on behalf of the restaurant. No one from the Borough called or approved this service and restaurant was advised Borough was not responsible for Dish Machine repair. Borough attorney is reviewing.
- Paramus Golf Course was voted #1 Golf Course in Bergen County, NJ and honored by 201 Magazine. Runner up's were White Beaches, Ridgewood Country Club and Edgewood Country Club.
- Blue Hills and Rivervale updated fee's with price increases 2025.
- Violation/Incident occurred previous Friday with a Golf Cart rental having the GPS unit disabled and missing from our radar. It was 2 young players who admitted to turning the GPS unit off to try and get the golf cart to "go faster". They have been banned from cart rentals pending further investigation.
- Email from Borough resident Rich Santana about the unfair advantage or lack of, that Borough Residents have for the weekend lottery system. Suggested that Paramus residents get first priority or separate tee time on weekends. Mayor and Andy professionally addressed the issue offering a back 9 tee time to accommodate them on weekends first thing in the morning. They also reminded the resident that Green Acers funds were used to purchase the golf course and certain criteria must be followed. Additionally, mentioned that the golf course is fiscally self-sufficient and does not rely on taxpayer dollars for operation.

**Finance report:** March up 47% in rounds with weather playing it's part. Lottery income \$151,000 vs. \$142,000. Income UP 17% compared to the last 5 year average. Anthony stayed late and made sure all new fee's were in our finance/POS system for the 1<sup>st</sup> of April.

### **General Manager / Superintendent Report:**

- Lottery groups increased by about 30-40 groups over previous year.
- Terms and guidelines for next year lottery sign-up will be discussed and reviewed. Moving to digital check-in process and email communication to each group leader.
- Leagues are sold out.
- No damage from winter visible on grass. Dry Ject begins following week.
- Bicycle rider was back on the course 4/24. Police are aware.
- Restaurant floor soft spot under bar from a leak was repaired in house.
- Bathroom on 8 renovation uncovered a drain with a tree root growing straight through it. We repaired and are almost complete with interior renovation.
- PGA Hope program will run for six weeks and begin April 25<sup>th</sup>. Veterans golf program. May 30<sup>th</sup> will be a graduation event for the Veterans where they will be recognized through the PGA and our team in Paramus.

### **Old Business:**

- Restaurant new happy hour menu and times. PGC membership card entitles members to happy hour pricing on weekends. Menu's will be advertised.
- Simulator bid package went out for 30 days.
- Husqvarna autonomous mowers are being tested and in use doing a fantastic job. We are viewing/testing features available on numerous companies.
- Still awaiting irrigation bid package for pond project.
- Mini golf feature research is underway way. We are looking at vendors and suppliers for shade structures, characters and family photo op's. We are looking at fire pit, corn hole, outdoor pool tables, giant Adirondack chairs and more. Funds are bonded and appropriated for this specifically.
- Monitors to display weather, names on standby list, advertising and recognition throughout the property in sync or on rotation.
- 12 & 17 tee box are done.
- Pond project will be over communicated to players and we will post in advance what we will do to accommodate any delay
- Anthony finished the new ID card design, after slight adjustments we will begin implementing to all members.
- Will consider duplicate card fee for members who lose or request a new card.

### **New Business: N/A**

### **Meeting Open to Public at 7:26pm 5 minutes maximum per person**

- James Cullen – Verified new rates were announced and thanked Sean for trophy. Inquired about fundraiser event golf outing but we are sold out for the year.
- Nancy Vasile – Would like to see plaque's on walls in clubhouse.

### **Motion to close Golf Commission meeting at 7:34pm - First: Jack Brunner**

**Seconded: Jim Luciano**