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CITY OF SAN CLEMENTE

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR GOLF COURSE COMMITTEE MEETING

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2011, 7:00 P.M.

A regular meeting of the Golf Course Committee of the City of San Clemente was called to order on Thursday, November 3, 2011, at 7:00 p.m., at City Council Chambers, 100 Avenida Presidio, San Clemente, California 92672.

1. ROLL CALL

Committee members present: Tim Kiernan, Parker Steel, George Gooch, Harry Larson, Rick Divel, Mike Hurlbut

Committee Members absent: Dick Veale

Staff present: Gus Nelson, Golf Course Manager

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Divel called for approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting held September 1, 2011.

MOTIONED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER KIERNAN, SECONDED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER GOOCH, AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 1, 2011.

3. PUBLIC INPUT

None.

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AGENDA

SAN CLEMENTE GOLF COURSE COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, JANUARY 5, 2012. 7:00PM

CITY HALL , 100 PRESIDIO
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

****PLEASE NOTE TIME AND LOCATION****

FOR ADDRESSING THE COMMITTEE: If you wish to address the Committee, please identify yourself to the Secretary and you will be permitted to speak at the appropriate time.

1. ROLL CALL

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of minutes of Regular Meeting held November 3, 2011

3. PUBLIC INPUT

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4. OLD BUSINESS

None

5. NEW BUSINESS

None

6. COMMUNICATIONS

None

7. ITEMS FROM STAFF

Monthly and Quarterly report & ongoing business update.

8. ITEMS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

9. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourn to the Regular meeting of March 1, 2012.

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4. OLD BUSINESS

Discussion of House Subcommittee meeting with Dave Cook September 9th.

This Committee discussed the September 9th meeting of the House Subcommittee, when they met with golf professional and pro shop concessionaire, Dave Cook.

Nelson and the members of the House Committee (Kiernan, Steele, Hurlbut) said the meeting went well and that Dave was receptive to the idea of an electronic tee sheet that could ultimately lead to online tee time reservations at the course. Nelson said that a demo was arranged with one of the leading providers, Active Network, and it seemed like a workable system. The system integrates with our website provider, and it is used at a number of nearby courses. Nelson was planning on visiting a busy public course in the area using the software to see how well it worked in a busy environment. Nelson was still waiting on a financial proposal so he could not comment on cost.

5. NEW BUSINESS

Discussion of upcoming joint meeting with the City Council November 8th.

Nelson reminded everyone of the joint Council/ Committees meeting to be held November 8th at the Calle Negocio building. He said there would be a dinner and social prior to the meeting start time, and encouraged all to attend.

6. COMMUNICATIONS

None.

7. ITEMS FROM STAFF

Monthly Report and Ongoing Business Update

Nelson discussed current course conditions as well as round and revenue figures for September and October. The committee was pleased with the condition of the course, in particular for the tournaments held over the last month. Nelson said that the weather had cooperated, allowing him to use less water to firm the course but still look green and lush. He also said that the course had implemented a double cutting and rolling campaign the month leading up to the tournaments to smooth and firm the greens. Nelson also reported that the three seasonal employees had their last work day on October 28th, and that they would not return until on or about May 1st, 2012. Nelson said that they were instrumental in providing good playing conditions throughout the year.

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8. ITEMS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Kiernan asked if it was the custom of other golf courses that the Men's Club was responsible for the handicapping of the holes and course rating responsibilities. Nelson said yes and Larson explained the process.

Steele indicated that he had created a facebook page for the course with Nelson's permission and encouraged all to take a look and 'friend' the course.

Larson thanked Nelson for the fine condition of the course and the city for its cooperation in the successful Men's Club member guest tournament.

9. ADJOURNMENT

MOTIONED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER LARSON, SECONDED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER KIERNAN, AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, to adjourn at 8:11 p.m. to the Joint Council/ Commissions meeting to be held November 8, 2011.



Rick Divel, Chair, Golf Course Committee

Date: _____



Gus Nelson, Golf Course Manager

Date: 11-3-12

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1. ROLL CALL

Committee members present: Tim Kiernan, Parker Steel, Dick Veale, Rick Divel, Mike Hurlbut, Harold Larson.

Committee Members absent: George Gooch

Staff present: Gus Nelson, Golf Course Manager
Mary Colletti, Recording Secretary

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Divel called for approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting held November 3, 2011.

MOTIONED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER KIERNAN, SECONDED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER LARSON, AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED (6-0-1) (WITH COMMITTEE MEMBER VEALE ABSTAINING DUE TO HIS ABSENCE AT THAT MEETING), TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD NOVEMBER 3, 2011.

3. PUBLIC INPUT

None.

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AGENDA

SAN CLEMENTE GOLF COURSE COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, MARCH 1, 2012. 7:00PM

**CITY HALL , 100 PRESIDIO
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

****PLEASE NOTE TIME AND LOCATION****

FOR ADDRESSING THE COMMITTEE: If you wish to address the Committee, please identify yourself to the Secretary and you will be permitted to speak at the appropriate time.

- 1. **ROLL CALL**
- 2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
Approval of minutes of Regular Meeting held January 5, 2011

3. **PUBLIC INPUT**

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- 4. **OLD BUSINESS**
Recap of Greens Committee tour and progress to date
- 5. **NEW BUSINESS**
None
- 6. **COMMUNICATIONS**
Request from Lutheran Church to install netting
- 7. **ITEMS FROM STAFF**
Monthly and Quarterly report & ongoing business update.
- 8. **ITEMS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS**
- 9. **ADJOURNMENT**
Adjourn to the Regular meeting of May 3, 2012.

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4. OLD BUSINESS

GC Manager Nelson discussed the status of the impending computerization of the tee sheet. He said the demo of the new computer system to the Pro Shop had been done, but the computer system has yet to be installed. Nelson said Dave was not really interested in implementing the program so it might not happen. CM Hurlbut said he has spoken with the counter staff at the Pro Shop regarding the Active Network/Click for Tee Times system, and the feedback he has received from them is apprehension that the methods for assigning tee times that have been in place for over 20 years will be completely changed. CM Hurlbut asked Mr. Nelson to clarify that the purpose of the proposed computer system of Click for Tee Times is to attract more players to fill in lesser-used tee times, such as in the late afternoon. GC Manager Nelson responded that, yes, the idea is to fill in the blank times on the tee sheet, allow reservations online 24 hours a day, and to make the process more open and efficient, but will not change any policies regarding the way tee times are assigned.

CMs Hurlbut, Larson and Veale were all concerned that there is a misunderstanding among the Pro Shop staff that the current policies will change. They asked that a statement be written on paper and given to the Pro Shop, as well as posted for the public, that would state exactly what the new procedure on unused tee times would entail. GC Manager Nelson agreed to draft and distribute this statement, and said that the plan is to keep the current tee time assignment policies in place. CM Hurlbut stressed that the best way to acclimate them to the change is to have them take "baby steps" and to have the exact process spelled out clearly for them on paper. GC Manager Nelson agreed and assured the CMs that the only difference will be that the Pro Shop staff will enter the tee times into the computer rather than by hand on a tee sheet. The CMs and GC Manager Nelson all agreed that after a few weeks of using the new computer system, the Pro Shop staff would be fully acclimated and their apprehensions alleviated.

CM Nelson coordinated a meeting date of Friday, January 13, 2012 at 8:00 a.m. for the Greens Subcommittee to meet.

5. NEW BUSINESS

None.

6. COMMUNICATIONS

None.

CM Hurlbut mentioned that he had received informal verbal communication from residents above hole #16 who were very happy to have ocean views now that the Golf Course staff has cleared the brush/poison oak from that area.

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7. ITEMS FROM STAFF

Monthly Report and Ongoing Business Update

GC Manager Nelson distributed the Rounds and Revenue reports for November and December 2011. He said that the weather has been perfect, the greens very nice, and our YTD rounds are up by 900 rounds and revenue up by about \$45,000. He said it has been a good 6 months thus far. Mr. Nelson summarized his Monthly Staff report (see report for details), citing landscape improvement on the slope between the #16 green and the #17 tee, as well as upcoming activity for January/February, which will include grass treatment, miscellaneous tree work, and improving the #8 tee area. It will be leveled in the area between the cart path and the retaining wall, and the "bumpy" ficus tree roots and dead trees will be removed.

8. ITEMS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

CM Hurlbut reiterated his concerns with the apprehension expressed to him by the counter staff at the Pro Shop. He said they asked to have time to get used to the new system and not to have any of the traditional tee time practices that have been in place for over 20 years changed. He stressed two points: 1) We take baby steps to acclimate the Pro Shop staff to the new system and 2) We stress to them that the purpose of the new system is to fill unused tee times to capture more revenue.

CM Veale brought up the subject of sand buckets in the carts for filling divots. He said that while there are 2 buckets of sand currently on the golf carts, after filling multiple divots on hole #1, he runs out of sand, and there is no opportunity to refill the buckets until you reach hole #6 (with another refill area at hole #16). He itemized each hole on the Golf Course, highlighting the holes with the most divots. CM Veale would like a tray of full sand buckets placed for easy accessibility at hole #2, where there is usually a back-up in play and golfers would have time to grab a few more sand buckets. CM Hurlbut agreed, but said that he believes that only about 20% of golfers actually fill divots. CM Veale responded that while that may be true, even if only 1 out of 20 carts had players who filled divots, that would be better than the current situation. GC Nelson said he would agree to additional sand bins on the course, but did not favor the idea of individual buckets at a refill station, citing the difficulty of maintaining that method (he stated that it has been tried unsuccessfully in the past). He said he would put a ½ whisky barrel full of sand on any tee requested by this Committee.

CM Veale's second discussion point was to ask for better visibility for the 200 yard marker on the Driving Range, as well as having a 125 yard marker (currently there are markers for 50, 75, 100, 150 and 200 yards, but not for 125 yards) placed centrally on the Driving Range. GC Manager Nelson said they continually try to build up the base of the 200 yard marker and will continue their efforts. He will look into installing a 125 yard marker.

CM Larson asked if there will be more concrete repair work budgeted in the new fiscal year, and he cited areas in need of repair at some of the cart path turns. GC Manager Nelson agreed that

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more concrete/cart path repair was needed and that this was reflected in his budget request. CM Larson also mentioned that walkways at #15 and #16 need repair.

CM Steel said he is looking forward to tee times going online, as he usually plays as a single, and currently, he has to appear at the Golf Course and wait for a tee time. He said he will post the statement regarding computerized tee times (to be composed by Mr. Nelson) on the Golf Course Facebook page. He said the Facebook page reaches about 500 people a month. CM Larson will email the tee time statement to the Men's Club, once it is available.

Chair Divel stated that he is very pleased with the condition of the greens on the Golf Course.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTIONED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER HURLBUT, SECONDED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER KIERNAN, AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. to the next regular meeting of the Golf Course Committee to be held on March 1, 2012.



Rick Divel, Chair, Golf Course Committee

Date: 3/1/2012



Gus Nelson, Golf Course Manager

Date: 3-1-12

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1. ROLL CALL

Committee members present: Tim Kiernan, Parker Steel, Dick Veale, Rick Divel, Mike Hurlbut, Harold Larson, George Gooch.

Staff present: Gus Nelson, Golf Course Manager
Mary Colletti, Recording Secretary

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Divel called for approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting held January 5, 2012.

MOTIONED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER VEALE, SECONDED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER KIERNAN, AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED (6-0-1) (WITH COMMITTEE MEMBER GOOCH ABSTAINING DUE TO HIS ABSENCE AT THAT MEETING), TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD JANUARY 5, 2012.

3. PUBLIC INPUT

None.

4. OLD BUSINESS

Recap of Greens Committee tour and Progress to date

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AGENDA

SAN CLEMENTE GOLF COURSE COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, MAY 3, 2012. 7:00PM

CITY HALL , 100 PRESIDIO
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

****PLEASE NOTE TIME AND LOCATION****

FOR ADDRESSING THE COMMITTEE: If you wish to address the Committee, please identify yourself to the Secretary and you will be permitted to speak at the appropriate time.

1. **ROLL CALL**

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Approval of minutes of Regular Meeting held March 1, 2012

3. **PUBLIC INPUT**

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4. **OLD BUSINESS**

Update on Golf Course Food and Beverage Concession

5. **NEW BUSINESS**

Schedule Greens subcommittee tour

6. **COMMUNICATIONS**

None

7. **ITEMS FROM STAFF**

Monthly and Quarterly report & ongoing business update.

8. **ITEMS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

Adjourn to the Regular meeting of July 5, 2012.

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GC Manager Nelson distributed his report, "Golf Committee Greens Sub-Committee Meeting (Friday January 6 at the San Clemente Golf Course)" to the Committee Members (see report for details). He summarized this report, resulting in the following discussion points.

GC Manager Nelson said that staff will be installing 100, 150, and 200 yard signs, on posts with vertical signage in red/white/blue for the driving range, as well as barber poles for 75, 125 and 175 yards.

In response to question from CMs Divel and Larson, respectively, GC Manager Nelson said he would be taking 2 dead palm trees out, and that he had ordered whisky barrels for sand refills to be placed on the Golf Course as directed by this Committee.

In a discussion initiated by CM Larson regarding dying tree on the #3 tee, GC Manager Nelson said he had attended a mandatory pesticide meeting and he said the UC extension agent from LA County gave a presentation on a new disease killing *figus nitida* trees in Southern California. It is called sooty canker or branch canker, and the figus on #3 probably has it. This disease spreads, so the figus must be removed and disposed of properly so it won't spread to other trees.

CM Veale mentioned the pineapple weeds at #11 and #2. GC Manager Nelson is aware of them, and said he will apply herbicide just before aerification (aerification to be done March 12 and March 13) in that area. He said he has a relatively safe herbicide that will mostly control the pineapple weeds without making the greens suffer.

5. NEW BUSINESS

None.

6. COMMUNICATIONS

Request from Lutheran Church to install netting

GC Manager Nelson said the church has complained of golf balls coming over onto their property from behind the #7 green. Mr. Nelson said staff is evaluating ideas to address the complaint. The CMs could not understand logistically how balls were getting over the fence, as there are trees shielding that area. CM Veale said he would talk to a member of the church board he knows and will let GC Manager Nelson know the result, before going ahead any further

7. ITEMS FROM STAFF

Monthly and Quarterly Report and Ongoing Business Update

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GC Manager Nelson distributed the Rounds and Revenue reports for January and February 2012. He said we are up about 1400 rounds from last year, and we are on track financially so far for the year. He discussed the aerification plans, and the leeching of the greens.

GC Manager Nelson told this Committee that the Golf Course restaurant, Irons in the Fire, is for sale. Dave Donaldson, the restaurateur, is looking for buyers, and the City and this Committee will work together with Mr. Donaldson to help everyone make a graceful and seamless transition to possible new ownership. Mr. Nelson said that any interested parties should be referred to Mr. Donaldson.

8. ITEMS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

CM Kiernan asked that the distance markers on the cart paths be repainted for better visibility, and GC Manager Nelson agreed to do so.

CM Veale said the replacement sand is finer than before and fills in divots beautifully. He also said that the trap in front of #3 needs more sand. GC Manager Nelson said he will look at filling it, as well as the bunkers at #7 and #10.

CM Larson (recently reelected Men's Club president) said, in regard to the handicapping of the Golf Course, the Men's Club will review 500 scorecards and may consider changing the handicapping on the score cards once the current ones run out. He said the USGA has a new method for adjusting handicaps on holes for tournament play. CM Veale said he appreciates the Men's Club reviewing the handicapping on the Golf Course.

CM Steel distributed a copy of the weekly Facebook email he receives, detailing the Golf Course's Facebook activity (for details, refer to the aforementioned email). CM Steel said he'd like to increase awareness of our Facebook account. He summarized the last week's feedback from players of our Golf Course on Facebook – 21 people are "talking about" the Golf Course (they have commented on it), and in total, 490 people had visited us on Facebook. He encouraged the CMs and the Men's Club to create a Facebook account for themselves and view it.

CM Gooch played the golf Course last Sunday with a couple and, at the #9 tee, the woman said she was very happy with the "short tee". Her husband who played from the blue tees noticed they appear "chopped up" and asked if a mat could be place there. GC Manager Nelson said you can't put a tee in a mat, and mats would have to be moved constantly to avoid dead spots. After discussion, this Committee generally agreed that it was not worth using mats.

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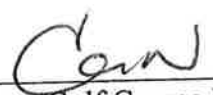
9. ADJOURNMENT

MOTIONED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER GOOCH, SECONDED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER HURLBUT, AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED (7-0-0), to adjourn at 7:56 p.m. to the next regular meeting of the Golf Course Committee to be held on May 3, 2012.



Rick Divel, Chair, Golf Course Committee

Date: 5/3/2012



Gus Nelson, Golf Course Manager

Date: 5-3-12

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Committee members absent: Dick Veale

Staff present: Gus Nelson, Golf Course Manager
Mary Colletti, Recording Secretary

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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MOTIONED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER KIERNAN, SECONDED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER STEEL, AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD MARCH 1, 2012.

3. PUBLIC INPUT

None.

4. OLD BUSINESS

Update on Golf Course Food and Beverage Concession

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Golf Course Manager Nelson stated that City Council has decided to bring on Gary Greenberg, (currently concession manager at Steed Memorial Park in San Clemente) to take over operations of Irons in the Fire (the Golf Course restaurant) for an interim time period of two phases; Phase 1: (2-15 days) The time period for the current liquor license to be transferred from Mr. Dave Donaldson to the City. Mr. Nelson stated that Mr. Donaldson is the operator of the restaurant until the liquor license transfer takes place. Phase 2: The time period during which the City issues the Request for Proposal (RFP) and awaits bids from parties applying to be the permanent concessionaire for the Golf Course restaurant/concession.

Golf Course Manager Nelson stated that Mr. Greenberg will run the restaurant/concession only during these two interim phases, and that Mr. Greenberg cannot bid on the RFP to be the permanent concessionaire. Mr. Nelson said Mr. Greenberg will be paid a management fee by the City, and that he will take on most of the current employees. If the concession makes a profit while Mr. Greenberg is operating it, the Golf Course will share in the profit; if it shows a loss, Mr. Greenberg will be reimbursed by the City.

During their discussion of the interim concession management, the CMs and Mr. Nelson agreed that Mr. Greenberg will be operating during the summer, the busiest time of the year, so they are hoping it will be a beneficial situation for Mr. Greenberg. The CMs and Mr. Nelson discussed what features they would like to have during the interim and permanent operation including having the main building open in the early morning at about 6:00 a.m., starting with small breakfast items that are easy to carry, and expanding to a more full-service menu around 7:00 a.m. Mr. Nelson said that he and Mr. Greenberg had discussed the need for more portable food items on the menu and the possibility of a lower price point.

Mr. Nelson discussed his hope that the concession strategy developed during the interim phases will make the golfers/patrons happy, and will be a viable one that could be adopted by the eventual permanent concessionaire.

Golf Course Manager Nelson will schedule a meeting between the House Subcommittee (made up of members of this Golf Course Committee) and Mr. Greenberg in a few weeks. He added that currently the City will be taking inventory of and buying the restaurant equipment. CM Larson plans to place a paragraph, authored by Golf Course Manager Nelson, in the Men's Club newsletter to explain the plans for the interim Golf Course concession.

5. NEW BUSINESS

Schedule Greens Subcommittee Tour

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After some discussion, it was decided that Golf Course Manager Nelson will email the Greens Subcommittee members tomorrow to coordinate the schedule for the Greens Subcommittee tour.

6. COMMUNICATIONS

None

7. ITEMS FROM STAFF

Monthly and Quarterly Report and Ongoing Business Update

Golf Course Manager Nelson distributed the Rounds and Revenue reports for March/April 2012. He said the Golf Course is up 979 rounds and \$62,000 from last year at this time. He thinks we are on track to meet our projected figures.

In discussing maintenance, Mr. Nelson said that aerification and fungicide spraying will be delayed slightly if the drizzly weather continues next week as forecasted.

In general discussion of ongoing business, CM Larson and Golf Course Manager Nelson discussed the increase in sales of the Senior Weekly punch cards. In addition, Mr. Nelson discussed the greens which CM Kiernan considered a little sub par; Mr. Nelson said that the spring months are the worst for greens (grasses grow at different rates, we get rabbits, etc.), so now is a good time to aerify. He said some golf courses combat the different growth rates by cutting their greens much shorter than we do. He also pointed out that though some of the local golf courses may have faster greens, they are not doing as much business as we are, and he stated that one really can't accurately compare the Muni to other golf courses since they are such different business models.

8. ITEMS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

CM Steel announced that the Friends of San Clemente fundraiser tournament is scheduled for July 13, 2012. He said it will benefit the new Vista Hermosa Sports Park. Mr. Steel said he is now recruiting teams for this tournament, and the price of \$150 per player is 100% tax deductible. In regard to the Golf Course, Mr. Steel said that some of the high school golfers suggested placing a tub of water on the #1 tee to wet down their towels and clean their clubs. Mr. Nelson made note of the request.

CM Kiernan said the signage on the Driving Range looks great and the look of the grass there has improved.

Chair Divel said that the path leading to #15 is overgrown. Chair Divel thanked Mr. Nelson for removing some palms, and he also mentioned that the resodded area at #8 is still brown. Mr.

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Nelson said that it is still dormant but will green up soon, and that he will use high-nitrogen fertilizer for the brownish spots.

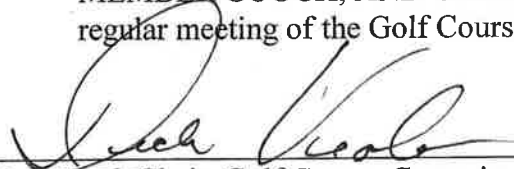
CM Larson also announced that this may be his last meeting as is relocating. The other CMs and Mr. Nelson thanked him heartily for his service to the community for over 10 years on this Committee.

CM Gooch commented that the Golf Course looks really good, "like a country club". He is pleased with the diversity of landscaping on the Golf Course now. He is president of the San Clemente's Art Association, and they plan to display photos of the Golf Course at the local art gallery.

CM Kiernan said he had heard from a player that the "phase 1" areas of the Golf Course (i.e., those areas landscaped for water conservation) are "free-drop" areas. Golf Course Manager Nelson replied that they were not, to his knowledge, free-drop zones, and he said to refer to the score card, which he thinks may list the flower beds as "free-drop" areas. He said that any other areas would use the rules of regular play, unless they are posted as "free-drop" areas.


9. ADJOURNMENT

MOTIONED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER LARSON, SECONDED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER GOOCH, AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, to adjourn at 7:57 p.m. to the next regular meeting of the Golf Course Committee to be held on July 5, 2012.



Rick Divel, Chair, Golf Course Committee

Date: 7-5-12

Dick Vaala


Gus Nelson, Golf Course Manager

Date: 7-5-12

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