

**RICHTER PARK AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES**  
**RICHTER PARK OFFICE**  
**TUESDAY, October 21, 2014 6:30 PM**

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Chairman Bob Eberhard opened the meeting at 6:30 PM.

Members present: Leroy Diggs, Bob Eberhard, John Priola, George Radachowsky, Bill Totten and Wendy Grispin.

Members absent: Jean DaSilva and Al Mead

Also present: Rob Dorsch, Grounds and Greens Superintendent, Karen Madaus, Business Manager, Brian Gehan, Head Golf Professional/Outside Operations Manager.

- **Public participation**

none

- **Approve minutes of previous meeting**

Bill Totten made a motion to accept the minutes of the RPA meeting from September 16, 2014. **Motion passed unanimously.**

- **Correspondence**

**Arts association report** – There is one more program left for our Fall Season. It is the TriCor Brass Ensemble. They play a wide range of music from the Baroque Era to Contemporary 20th/21st Century. This is the last program until the spring.

**Musicals at Richter** – Thank you to the RPA for fixing the garage door at the Richter House. Scrooged, the Musical will take place at the Palace in Danbury December 19, 20 & 21<sup>st</sup>, 2014.

**FORe** – Third quarter financials were given to the RPA. Ronnie Nunn will be the honoree for the 2015 FORe breakfast.

**Business Manager's Report** – It was a great season from an Outings perspective. All 2014 outings are paid in full. Clients have already started booking Outings for 2015.

**Head Golf Professional/Operations Report** – September was good, with some rain on Thursdays and Saturdays. Course conditions were great and tournaments went great as well. The Pro Shop is doing well and is ahead of last year.

**Grounds and Greens** – Aeration will take place November 2, 3 and 4<sup>th</sup>, 2014. Work on #8 has started, but rain has not helped and there are more rocks than anticipated. Also, reservoir is low.

Different equipment lease options were discussed for 2015. John Priola made a motion to remove the Kubota tractor from this year's lease program with anticipation of adding it into 2017. Leroy Diggs 2<sup>nd</sup>. Ayes: John, Leroy, George and Wendy; Nay: Bill. **Motion passed.**

Rob contacted Ridgefield about buying a dump truck with a 10 foot plow attached. Estimated cost already approved by RPA. Also talked to Danbury Department of Public Works about plowing the Richter parking lot.

Capital improvement projects – Rob has proposed continuing on #8 and the cart path between #4 and #5. Motion to give Rob the go-ahead to make proposed improvements to #4 & #5 cart paths. **Motion passed.**

**Financial report** – Line of Credit payments are down from last year but the NSB loan payments started in 2014, which makes a difference. Leroy Diggs made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report and have it placed on file. **Motion passed unanimously.**

**Finance Committee Report** – Health insurance has been finalized and will save the RPA \$2,800/month. Budget is starting to be prepared and needs to be in the RPA's hands at the November RPA meeting.

**Chairman's Comments/Reports**

None

**Old business** – **Cell Tower** – Ann William's sister Elinor Rees has been contacted and is supportive of the cell tower. The topic might be on the November City Council meeting.

**New business**

Resident ID income is down and ideas regarding increasing renewals will be worked on.

Employee contribution for health insurance may increase in 2015.

**Executive Session**

None

Meeting adjourned at 8:18 PM

Karen Madaus

Business Manager