



**CITY OF MELBOURNE, FLORIDA  
MINUTES – GOLF COURSES ADVISORY BOARD  
MEETING  
January 13, 2010  
Crane Community Center  
1440 Mosswood Dr.  
Melbourne, Florida**

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A meeting of the Golf Courses Advisory Board was held at the Crane Community Center, 1440 Mosswood Dr. and this date, called to order by Chairman John Francey at 6:30 p.m.

**1. All present gave the Pledge of Allegiance.**

**2. The following members and staff were:**

<b>Present:</b>	John Francey	Chairman
	Gubbi Sachidanandan	Vice-Chairman
	Robert Paquette	Member
	Jack Bryant	Member
	Penny Goode	Member
	Paul Murray	Member
	Eric Martin	Member
	Mary Ann Bowman	Leisure Services Director
	Robert Nachreiner	Golf Director
	Lynn White	Asst. Mgr. Crane Creek Reserve
	Ed Barbour	Pro/Mgr., Mallards Landing

**3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – November 4, 2009**

Motioned by Paquette/Goode to approve November 4, 2009 minutes.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

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**NEW BUSINESS**

**4. Staff Report**

Robert Nachreiner reviewed the first quarter revenue report compared to last year's with an increase of \$72,000 over the previous year. This figure would have been higher if it hadn't been for some bad weather in December. Chairman Francey asked if the new riding cart policy had any effect on revenues. Mr. Nachreiner advised that the new policy is working in regards to revenue generated. He pointed out that the green fee play was up with annual fee play down so instead of collecting the \$3 -\$5 surcharge we are now collecting \$20-\$25 per round. The Brevard County Rate has been a huge success with 1,179 of the 18 hole rounds compared to the non-resident rate of 154 rounds last year. The new point of sales and I.D. pictures has sped up the check-in process and the new hires at Crane have greatly improved the customer service at the front counter.

Routine maintenance during the month included soil samples of both courses with nothing out of the ordinary showing up. There has been no long-term damage to the courses from the recent freeze. The good news is that the freeze killed a lot of the weeds as well as insects, worms, etc. It will be a couple of months before they can determine the status of the palms.

Mr. Nachreiner advised that on Martin Luther King Day, Total Golf Adventures would be conducting a junior golf tournament at Mallards Landing. They have also scheduled the driving range to conduct lessons for the parents. They have signed a contract with the golf course to continue with this program at Mallards Landing. Penny Goode offered to donate golf balls to the organization.

Jack Bryant asked what the status of the concessionaire is. Mr. Nachreiner stated that he has not received anything official but he has been told that their last day will be March 31<sup>st</sup>. The City will take the entire operation back over and model it after the airport concession business. Staff feels the overall operation and service will drastically improve with the City running it. The board was in agreement that it was time for the City to operate it since many golfers will not even go there due to the poor service.

Paul Murray asked when the board would conduct their self-evaluation for the City Council presentation. Mary Ann Bowman advised that the board will conduct the self-evaluation at their May meeting and the presentation to Council will be in June.

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**5. Selection of Chairman and Vice-Chairman**

The Chairman opened the floor for nominations.

Motioned by Paquette/Sachidanandan to nominate John Francey for Chairman.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Motioned by Bryant/Goode to nominate Gubbi Sachidanandan for Vice-Chairman.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

**6. Petitions, Remonstrances and Communications**

Mr. Bryant asked what needed to be done to get the potholes repaired at Mallards Landing. Mr. Nachreiner stated that he has contacted the streets department and if he needs to, he will contact the new Public Works Director.

**7. Adjournment**

Motioned by Sachidanandan/Goode to adjourn.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

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Mary Ann Bowman, Recording Secretary