

INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF LAKE SUCCESS
Minutes of the Golf Commission Meeting
Wednesday, February 11, 2025 at 7:30 PM
Board Room

Present: Gene Kaplan, Commissioner Scott Fishbein
Sue Goldman Paul Cohen
Barbara Briamonte Benjamin Wang
Michael Cohen Robby Mistretta, Golf Professional
Patricia Santomauro, Secretary

Guest: Alan Golus
David Milner

Absent: Meri Berger
Anthony Baek

Commissioner Gene Kaplan called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM.

On motion of Sue Goldman, seconded by Michael Cohen, December 3, 2025, Minutes were approved.

Commissioner Kaplan notified the group of the sad news of John Lundgren's passing. The group expressed condolences and shared fond memories of John.

Commissioner Kaplan reported on behalf of Golf Superintendent, Jonathan Price, that he will be moving back to the house on the grounds. Commissioner Kaplan and Jonathan are continuing to interview for an Asst. Golf Course Superintendent.

Commissioner Kaplan further reported that the Bunker Project was completed before the snow. There are a couple of mounding issues that will be addressed, otherwise all went well. Two (2) robot mowers came in January and Jon must map them out. These mowers will save fifty (50) man hours of a week leaving the opportunity to give other work attention.

The Board of Trustees approved the software for Turf Rad. The software will be used to determine where water is needed. We are ahead of the curve on this being only the fourth (4th) course with this technology.

Commissioner Kaplan also stated that the company we use to retrieve range balls from the lake will continue under new management, with the owner's son taking over the business, and that we will maintain a similar agreement moving forward. We lose approximately 50k balls a year.

Commissioner Kaplan explained they are still negotiating replacing the poles and nets on the driving range.

Resident applications went out today. The best move was getting Non-residents to join with a 25% deposit by October.

Golf Professional Robby Mistretta reported he utilized the newest golf carts at the PGA show. We are on the last year of our fleet and will be looking to have a couple of demo's in 2026. The console is in the center and we can get lithium batteries and auto brakes.

Robby is still making calls to finalize the outing schedule. Robby is trying to get us a little notoriety and has been in talks with the MET PGA to host the MET PGA Seniors tournament. The tournament would be consists of 50+ year old members, run Tuesday through Friday with sixty-four (64) guys starting with 32 to 16 to * 8+ 8 with the final on Friday. The course would be closed at a certain time.

Robby also reported the course rating will take place in April.

The hiring process is ongoing. We will need an additional 2 rangers, 1 starter, 3 or 4 greeters, and a couple of bag kids.

Aeration will take place on August 17th and August 24th.

Commissioner Kaplan called the meeting to close at 8:19 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Santomauro
Golf Commission Secretary