

GOLF ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
CITY OF PORT ORANGE  
DOROTHY L. HUKILL CITY CENTER ANNEX  
1395 DUNLAWTON AVE – CONFERENCE ROOM  
PORT ORANGE, FLORIDA  
SEPTEMBER 2, 2025

THE REGULAR GOLF ADVISORY BOARD MEETING of the City of Port Orange was called to order by Chair Richard Lee at 5:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present:	Richard Lee, Chair Jane Taylor, Vice Chair Michael Bagnato Gary Brideau
Absent:	Dennis Flesch (Unexcused)
Also Present:	Kevin Sweat, Parks Manager Susan Lovallo, Parks & Recreation Director Christine Clowes, Administrative Assistant

DISCUSSION/ACTION

3. Consideration of Minutes

Motion to approve the September 2, 2025, meeting minutes as presented was made by Member, Michael Bagnato and seconded by Vice Chair, Jane Taylor. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

4. Financial and Evaluation Reports from KemperSports

Jeff Dayton, General Manager of KemperSports, provided a financial update and addressed the Board's questions. Mr. Dayton also discussed the integration of GPS technology into golf carts and the potential acquisition of new golf carts.

Darren Bache, Golf Course Superintendent, reviewed the bunker sand options and confirmed they will be using a coarser sand to improve drainage. Mr. Bache also reported the storm drains are functioning better, following the city's successful creek and pipe cleanup and responded to inquiries from Member, Michael Bagnato regarding the latest concepts for the Driving Range.

5. Food and Beverage

Mr. Dayton noted that Food and Beverage has been a repetitive agenda item but clarified that it is primarily a matter between the City and the restaurant. KemperSports would like to keep its focus on the golf course unless service issues escalate.

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Kevin Sweat, Parks Manager and Susan Lovallo, Parks and Recreation Director, both emphasized the importance of communicating any issues or concerns to the City so they can be addressed.

The Board would like to invite the restaurant owner, John Springer, to come to an Advisory Board meeting to provide an update on the restaurant.

Leslie House of KemperSports, asked about alternative options for large tournaments. Mr. Sweat confirmed the contract allows catering and will meet with Mr. Springer to review available options, and costs so these can be communicated to clients if requested.

Mr. Sweat and Ms. Lovallo addressed kitchen and customer survey related questions from the Board.

6. Bunker Project

The Bunker project is set to begin in the fall and is expected to take about 180 days. Plans for where and how work will start, weather permitting, will be reviewed. Any holes under construction will be closed for that day. No weekend work is planned unless required to meet the deadline. Some bunkers will be removed.

7. Staff Comments

There were none.

8. Items for Next Agenda

- Food and Beverage Update - John Springer
- Bunker Update
- Finance Report

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none


BOARD COMMENTS

Member Bagnato, asked about the beginning stages of the driving range. Mr. Dayton and Mr. Sweat provided an update. Chair, Richard Lee, expressed his gratitude to KemperSports for their ongoing work.

ADJOURNMENT - 5:56 p.m.

9. Next Meeting Date: December 2, 2025

10. Board Report to City Council: September 2, 2025

  
Chair Richard Lee  
cc Vice Chair Jane Taylor