

GOLF ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF PORT ORANGE
DOROTHY L. HUKILL CITY CENTER ANNEX
1395 DUNLAWTON AVE – CONFERENCE ROOM
PORT ORANGE, FLORIDA
MARCH 3, 2026

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
Michael Bagnato
Dennis Flesch
Jane Taylor, Vice Chair
Gary Brideau

Also Present: Kevin Sweat, Parks Manager
Christine Clowes, Sr. Administrative Assistant

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Motion to nominate Chair Richard Lee to remain Chair was made by Vice Chair Jane Taylor and seconded by Member Michael Bagnato.

Chair Richard Lee accepted the nomination.

Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Motion to nominate Member Gary Brideau to Vice Chair was made by Vice Chair Jane Taylor and seconded by Member Michael Bagnato.

Member Gary Brideau accepted the nomination.

Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

DISCUSSION/ACTION

3. Consideration of Minutes - December 2, 2025

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

4. Review of Cypress Head Golf Course End of Year Audit

Jeff Dayton, General Manager of KemperSports, deferred this item as the Auditor was unable to attend the meeting. This item will be revisited at the next meeting.

5. Financial and Evaluation Reports from KemperSports

Mr. Dayton provided an overview of the financial evaluation reports and answered board members' questions. Kevin Sweat, Parks Manager, answered questions regarding the new fleet, stating that the new carts will be arriving next week.

6. Update Restaurant Report

Mr. Sweat provided an update, responded to the board's questions regarding the restaurant and announced that Kevin Hanna has signed a contract and will be taking over operations once again.

Member Michael Bagnato asked if the city would ever assume control of the kitchen. Mr. Sweat explained that this is not feasible and emphasized the importance of a smooth transition. He further mentioned that all parties are happy about Mr. Hanna's return.

Board members also discussed potential expansions to the restaurant.

7. Bunker Update

Mr. Dayton reported that the bunker project is doing well despite a slow start and that the completed work looks good. He also reported that the sand quality and drainage are in good condition, with only minor detailing remaining and the project is considered complete.

Chair Richard Lee stated the sand should be raked after play and requested that rakes be left on site.

8. Spring Improvements Update

Mr. Dayton discussed several potential improvements, including leveling the tee boxes, making them larger, and refining the artificial tee line. Restaurant expansion options were reviewed, along with the possibility of adding covered bays. Mr. Dayton also noted that the current lighting is inadequate and emphasized the need for upgrades to improve overall brightness.

9. Pay-As-You-Go Cart Fees/Use of Personal Cart

Member Jane Taylor expressed concerns about the pay-as-you-go and personal cart fees. The board spent significant time debating how the process would work and clarified what was being requested with regard to the pay-as-you-go and personal cart fees.

Motion to reject Pay-As-You-Go/Use of Personal Cart was made by Jane Taylor and seconded by Dennis Flesch. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Staff Comments

Vice Chair Gary Brideau inquired about restroom conditions on the golf course, noting concerns about air movement as well as any potential improvements. Mr. Dayton indicated he may seek a new maintenance company, explaining the current provider has been given a final opportunity after failing to meet expectations. Mr. Sweat stated the City is willing to assist as needed, though restroom maintenance remains the course's responsibility. Mr. Dayton added that overall operations are going very well, with positive momentum and stated the PGA Hope is expected to begin soon. Member Dennis Flesch thanked Mr. Dayton for his continued hard work.

11 Items for Next Agenda

- Process of Passholders Rate Increase
- Restaurant Update
- Restroom Update
- Cypress Head Golf Course End of Year Audit Review

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Member Jane Taylor announced that she would be resigning from the Golf Advisory Board and wanted to introduce Ms. Holly Perpall as a new applicant for the Golf Advisory Board representing the Cypress Head Women's Golf Association.

Ms. Perpall briefly introduced herself to the board and shared her background.

BOARD COMMENTS

Member Michael Bagnato announced that he will not renew his appointment when his current term ends. He noted that he knows several individuals who have expressed interest in joining the board. Member Michael Bagnato thanked everyone and shared that he greatly enjoyed his time serving on the board.

ADJOURNMENT: 5:50pm

12. Next Meeting Date: June 2, 2026

13. Board Report to City Council: March 3, 2026



Chair Richard Lee