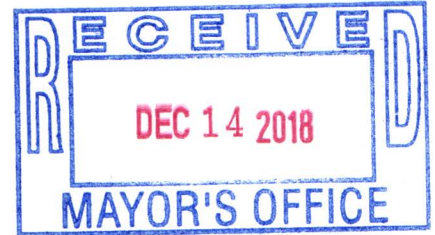


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Honorable Mayor Linda Hudson
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Dear Madam Mayor:

About a year and a half ago I met you at a City Committee Meeting at which was discussed the future of the Indian Hills Golf Course. I was generously allowed a few minutes to present my views for why the City's continued operation of an in-city golf facility would be in the best interest of Ft. Pierce.

I was therefore extremely pleased that the City wisely decided to keep operating the course. Then the City did two things that I am even more pleased about: 1) it hired a professional golf course grounds maintenance company, and 2) it hired Dan Visconti as head professional.

I've golfed at Indian Hills for the past ten years and must commend the City for the changes made in the past 14 months – *they've been incredible*. The overgrown trees, shrubs, weeds, etc. have been mostly removed, the fairways and tee boxes now actually have grass on them (yea!), the greens are beautiful putting surfaces that run true and hold approach shots.... I could go on and on. And the work of Dan Visconti and his staff have been equally incredible. His assistants (Danny and Scott) have followed his lead and now actually act like golf professionals. Dan's leadership is evident all the way down the line. And a big, big THANKS to the City for entering into a new golf cart lease – the old, under-maintained golf carts were an embarrassment to the City. The word is getting around the golfing public that Indian Hills is no longer a cow pasture of a track and is quickly becoming a legitimate place to play. I've been able to attract three new golfers to my Monday-Thursday league. Others who used to play Indian Hills and drifted off are starting to come back. The course is starting to get back the respect that other Ft. Pierce assets (like the Saturday market, the marina, the theatre) enjoy – all part of the Ft. Pierce "package".

In closing, I express my sincere thanks to you and the City Committee for wisely deciding to give the course a chance and the apparent resources and leadership to succeed. I know it's a long-term process but I firmly believe you have the right guy in Dan Visconti to bring it back and let it take its place as one of the reasons Ft. Pierce has more to offer than any other small city on the Florida east coast. I love living here!!

Thank you for your service to this great small city.

Regards,