TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD RIDGEFIELD GOLF COURSE COMMITTEE MEETING

Final Approved

REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, January 15, 2020

THESE MINUTES ARE INTENDED TO BE A SUMMARY OF THE MEETING AND NOT A VERBATIM RECORDING.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chairperson: Mr. Tyrrell Vice Chairperson: Ms. Gerhard Committee Members: Mr. Reilly, and Mr. Egan

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Secretary: Mr. Fazi

STAFF PRESENT:

Golf Director and General Manager: Mr. Sergiovanni

STAFF ABSENT:

None

AGENDA:

- 1 Review minutes from previous meeting
- 2 Reports and discussions on course operations from:
 - Frank Sergiovanni, Director and General Manager
- 3- 2020 Rate Discussion
- 4- 2020 Budget Discussion
- 5- Ash tree update
- 6- Old business
- 7- New business
- 8- Public comment

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm.

ITEM # 1: REVIEW MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING.

1. A MOTION WAS MADE, SECONDED AND UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING WITH MINOR SPELLING AND NUMBERING CORRECTIONS

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ITEM # 2 REPORTS AND DISCUSSION ON COURSE OPERATIONS Mr. Sergiovanni

- The course was closed prior to December meeting, so there is no course operations report for January. Trenching and wire running for hi-speed communications to the maintenance shed was completed. The trenching under the driveway did not break any of the new paving.
- 2. Good weather has allowed them to do more outside work than is usual for this time of year.

ITEM # 3 2020 Rate Discussion

- When the new cart lease is signed next year for carts (2021 golf season), there will be a rate increase to cover increased costs.
- 2. No rate increases proposed for 2020 golf season (but part of 2021 golf season is included in 20/21 town fiscal projections (see #1 above)

ITEM # 4 2020 BUDGET DISCUSSION

- 1. Ground care budget increased a small amount and seasonal salaries increased due to ramping up of minimum wage.
- 2. Capital requests will include:
 - a. Bed knife grinder
 - b. Reel grinder
 - c. 6000 feet for cart path expansion

ITEM # 5 ASH TREES

\$3,000 in the budget for tree care has been used entirely for dropping ash trees. Sav-A-Tree did the work of felling the trees. All other work is being done "in house": cutting up trees, sectioning into movable parts. The trees lined fairways and greens and some were near the parking lot.

10th hole restoration will need to be addressed. The large tree removed on Hole # 10 will have to be replaced with some other tree planting as it was in the playable part of the hole.

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Many ash trees remain standing in the wooded areas - only trees in high traffic areas where the disease was more advanced were felled.

ITEM # 6 OLD BUSINESS
None
ITEM # 7 NEW BUSINESS
None
ITEM # 8 PUBLIC COMMENT
None

There being no further business,

A MOTION WAS MADE, SECONDED, AND UNANIMOUSLY ADPOPTED TO ADJOURN THE REGULAR MEETING AT 8:08 pm.