Town of Ridgefield - Golf Committee Meeting Minutes Final

Special Meeting November 16, 2022

Members Present:

Chairperson: Mr. Tyrrell

Vice Chairperson: Ms. Gerhard

Committee Members: Mr. Mancini, Mr. Reilly Alternate Committee Member: Mr. Ippoliti

Members Absent: Mr. Colamaria, Mr. Mischenko, Mr. Sherman

Staff Present:

Golf Director and General Manager: Mr. Sergiovanni

The meeting was called to order at 6:34 pm.

Item # 1: Public Comment - none

Item # 2: Review minutes of previous meetings

A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously adopted to approve the minutes of the October 19
 Special meeting as written.

Item # 3: Report and discussion on course operations

Mr. Sergiovanni:

Course:

- Irrigation system has been winterized
- Tee & fairway aeration & seeding is complete
- Topsoil being added to damaged areas on tees

Operations:

- Review of revenue analysis spreadsheet of "first half" numbers (July through December) with 10-year history plus the current fiscal
 - 2019 "first half" fiscal was the lowest of all due to most rainy stretch of weather in 2018
 - Most recent 3 "first half" fiscals rank the highest of all eleven, with 2021 (July-Dec 2020) ranked first, 2023 (the current fiscal) ranked second, and 2022 (July-Dec 2021) ranked third. And they were higher than the other years by significant amounts.
- The fiscal 2023 revenue target was raised by \$100,000 and there should be no trouble reaching the new target.
- The golf course is running at a comfortable 40,000 rounds per year. There is some increased wear due to the 5,000 more rounds per year, but not an unreasonable amount. Wear and tear on the golf course is reasonable and customer access is also still reasonable.
- Homeland Towers has submitted a formal proposal for installation of a cell tower on the golf course. There will be a balloon float representing the height of the tower.
- Mr. Colamaria is working with a neighbor to the driving range that has a dead tree that would do significant damage if it fell on the new range netting.

Item #4: Old Business

• Ms. Gerhard will be submitting a meeting schedule for 2023, maintaining the third Wednesday in the month schedule and requesting the Small Conference Room in Town Hall.

Item #5: New Business - none

A motion was made, accepted, and unanimously adopted to adjourn the meeting at 6:54 pm.