TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD

RIDGEFIELD GOLF COURSE COMMITTEE MEETING

FINAL APPROVED

Regular Meeting Zoom Conference

Wednesday, June 17, 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

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Secretary: Mr. Fazi

Committee Member: Mr. Egan

STAFF PRESENT:

Golf Director and General Manager: Mr. Sergiovanni

STAFF ABSENT:

None

PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. Maurice Mancini

AGENDA:

- 1. REVIEW MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS
- 2. REPORTS AND DISCUSSIONS ON COURSE OPERATIONS INCLUDING RESTAURANT FROM: FRANK SERGIOVANNI, DIRECTOR AND GENERAL MANAGER
- 3. OLD BUSINESS
- 4. NEW BUSINESS
- 5. PUBLIC COMMENT

The meeting was called to order at 7:32 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 AS WRITTEN

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ITEM # 2 REPORTS AND DISCUSSION ON COURSE OPERATIONS

Mr. Sergiovanni:

- 1. The golf course is busy, operating at full capacity. The course itself is dry and showing some stress. If there is no rain, watering will begin, pumping from the reservoir on 15. This will be the first time this has been done in June.
- 2. There is new cart policy documented on the website and new cancellation policy also documented on the website and email sent to members. Cancellations can no longer be done on the website, but must be done with a call to the pro shop.
- 3. The driving range opened Memorial Day. Buckets and range coins are being sanitized after every use. Range balls are going through the washer but are not being sanitized. Range users can avoid touching range balls by dumping the bucket and moving the balls with their golf club.
- 4. The Restaurant has not had a full opening but continues to operate primarily using the deck for seated customers.
- 5. With the course operating a full capacity, a small portion of the revenue shortfall from earlier this year is being made up. End of fiscal year financials will be provided to members for review prior to the next meeting.

ITEM # 3 OLD BUSINESS

1. Cart path expansion, in capital budget, was approved. Work will begin in the fall. The two pieces of grinder equipment were also approved.

ITEM # 4 NEW BUSINESS

None

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ITEM # 5 PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Mr. Maurice Mancini asked about what was causing the surge in golf course usage. Mr. Sergiovanni stated several things: 1) people working at home, 2) people not able to work, 3) golf is a safe activity, 4) Ridgefield had an earlier start than other courses by making a proposal to the town. This has brought many new members to the course and the retention rate of these new members has been very high.

There being no further business,

A MOTION WAS MADE, SECONDED, AND UNANIMOUSLY ADPOPTED TO ADJOURN THE REGULAR MEETING AT 8:02 pm.