

February 16, 2016
Draft Meeting Minutes
Beaver Meadow Golf Advisory Committee

Members Present:

Chris Mulleavey, Chair
Jim Marshall
Mark Coen
Jennifer Kretovic
Bob Norton
Fran Hunt
David Croft
Dick Holden
Bernard "Sid" Chase
Phil Davis

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Members Absent:

Bill Veroneau
David Gill
Roger Jobin

Others Attending:

Brian LeBrun

A call to Order

5 Minutes of Public Input

None

Chris asks if there is a motion to approve the draft minutes from the January 14, 2016 meeting or if there are any questions about the minutes

Jim Marshall moves approval of the minutes from the January 14 meeting.

Dick Holden seconds the motion

Motion Carries 8-0

Old Business

Justin Kimball and Travis Martin have both submitted letters of interest to Chris and the City Clerk for the Mayor and City Council to consider. Linda Mattledge is still interested

2016 Daily Fees

Sid distributes staff recommended daily fees for 2016. Staff recommends no change in Green Fees and a \$3 increase to golf car fees for seniors and \$1 increase for all other categories.

Discussion:

Necessary to raise rates to pay for new cars, particularly cost to upgrade electrical infrastructure in cart barn

Council will need to set a hearing for bonding cart barn work

We raised all rates a \$1 for 2015 and discussed an additional \$1 for 2016

Why \$3 for seniors?

Fee is currently deeply discounted as are their membership rates

Seems a bit steep for seniors

Brian reminds group that Senior II was eliminated for 2016

Other ways to raise necessary revenue?

Raise 9 hole fees higher?

Find desired number and back fill revenue by attendance and rates to reach it?

How many senior cart rounds do we sell?

Staff has # but not in front of them

Senior number of rounds small compared to total

Brian recommends holding off on a rate increase until electric cars are in place

\$2 increase across the board discussed, it may make more sense

Area Rates? Beaver Meadow below market by a dollar or two, around \$19 is the area rate, we are currently at \$17

When will Council need a recommendation from GAC?

Can we open without rates set?

Sid says he would be very uncomfortable opening without Council approved rates.

Jim Marshall moves cart rates remain unchanged until new cars arrive and then a \$2 increase across the board

Bob seconds

Motion carries 8-0

Green Fees:

Bob moves that there be no change to daily green fee rates

Jennifer seconds

Discussion, do we offer a senior discount?

Yes

Motion carries 8-0

Brain LeBrun distributes two sets of numbers, budget performance reports based on fiscal year FY15, and one based on calendar year 2015

Numbers do not match exactly as different expenses and revenues hit at different points in cycle

In both cases, the trend is positive, and a small profit is projected for FY16

Brain answers questions regarding utilities, water bill high due to dry summer and need to fill the pond

The Group thanks Brian for coming and sharing the two views of the budget.

5 Year Plan

Sid distributes plan recommended by GAC last year

Chris asks when recommendation is due?

As part of FY17 budget cycle

Last year's recommendation is programmed into the FY17 budget going forward

Jim Marshall is comfortable with program as currently designed

Paving of Parking Lot

Price?

End price determined by number of tons needed to be removed and replaced

\$300,000 is discussed

Engineering is working on a plan and estimate

Mark hopes Council will find a way to pay for it with General Fund dollars

What are options to fund?

General fund generates funds by charging "cut fees" when utilities cut into existing pavement, also by bonding

Mark moves that the Golf Advisory Committee strongly recommend that parking lot be repaved

Chris recognizes the City's use of the parking lot beyond golfer use

Chris would prefer to put off 5 Year recommendation until new members of the Committee are appointed

Course Update

Skiing did not go well this year due to lack of snow. Skating went very well when we had cold weather, many more people than last year

Sims just getting going but have 100+ player sim league. Still early but with league size we should exceed expectations on revenue for Council

Beginners enjoy the privacy of using the Pro Shop simulator. It is a fun way to learn the game

Turf seems to have held up well. Too early to tell but nearly all ice has cleared from greens. They are now exposed which can be problematic but is better than ice

Phil, Sid and Jess manned a booth for Beaver Meadow at the NE Golf Expo. They made many contacts and heard many positive comments about Beaver Meadow

Chris asks if there is a motion to adjourn.

Bob so Moves.

Jennifer Seconds,

Motion Carries. 8-0

Meeting is set for March 10, 2016

8:00 AM

Beaver Meadow Clubhouse

Agenda:

Public Input

Approval of Minutes

Course Update

Old Business

Meeting Adjourned.