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GOLF COMMITTEE

April 14, 2015

5:30PM

Olde Barnstable Fairgrounds Golf Course

Meeting called to order at: 5:30PM

Minutes Summary: Approved

Roll Call: DAVID MILLER

Present

RICHARD ALIBERTI

Present

GEOFFREY CONVERSE

Present

MARY CREIGHTON

Present

EDIN NACAR

Present

EDWARD HICKEY

Present

BRIAN CONWAY

Present

ALSO PRESENT: BRUCE MCINTYRE

CHRIS WHITE

JESSE SCHECHTMAN

Chair Miller reads statement in accordance with MGL Ch. 30.A.S.20 regarding public taping at meetings- No one responds as taping this meeting

Public Comments: None

Act on Minutes from the March meeting

Motion duly made by Mary Creighton to approve the minutes of the March 10th 2015 meeting with the changes requested by the chair. Seconded by Geoff Converse Vote: so voted unanimously : with additions of Amy Harwood and Patti Machado added to the First Tee Portion requested by Richard Aliberti

-Bruce introduces Jesse Schechtman to the committee who has taken the new Pro position at Hyannis Golf Course

Old Business

Status of the capital improvement submissions – Bruce McIntyre

-We had 3 FY 16 CIP submissions

-The Renovation Plan was not recommended this year, there are many other things going on in the Town of Barnstable.

-We are going to do a market analysis to present to the Town Council with the plan next year

- The two building upgrade capital improvement plans were recommended and will be voted on by Town Council. Those two plans will be funded by the golf enterprise fund.

Chair Miller- Next year after going through the process the renovation should be recommended.

Geoff- What should we do to help promote the renovation plan.

Bruce- We need to all help promote, educate and do whatever we can to let people know what we are trying to do and why at Hyannis Golf Course

Mary Creighton- Asked who recommended the market analysis. Bruce- It was a conversation I had with Lynne Poyant and Mark Milne as something we could do to help support our plan.

Richard Aliberti asked what money do we give to the Town of Barnstable every year.

Bruce explained to Richard what money goes to the Town of Barnstable and why, each golf course spends what they make. As a whole the golf courses make about \$3 million and we run on a level funded budget.

Discussion of Survey Results – All

Bruce hands out survey chart¹ of the questions asked in survey.

Question 1 Which course do you prefer? 74% Obf

Question 2 Would you like to see Hyannis modernized? 83% YES

Question 3 Are you familiar with the Renovation Master Plan? About a 50/50 split

Question 4 Would you be more likely to play Hya if it is renovated? 70% YES

Fred La Selva – Suggested re tuning the survey to get a better handle on the demographics

Bruce – We did a step one survey to get a handle on what our members are looking for. We also did a market analysis that we put with the CIP to show the economic impact of golf in the Town of Barnstable and region.

Ed Hickey – Who can we talk to in the Town of Barnstable to help push this project

Chair Miller- You need to look at the big picture and we have gotten our point across golf is at the bottom of the list when come to tax dollars. We will come back next year and hopefully have a better resolution and in the interim we can always invite people to talk about the project.

Bruce- Our Town Council liaison is Fred Chirigotis

Ed Nacar- With the large copy of the master plan in both pro shops I am surprised that more people do not know about it.

Geoff- We need to push the fact that fact that this is an issue that is going to get worse before it gets better.

Bruce- We as a group on Cape Cod need to push golf together and on a larger scale

Chair Miller- Next month we will talk about an educational plan.

First Tee Program Questions relative to March presentation– Aliberti

- The document you handed out last week that was the first time we got any thing here on the committee why are we charging \$55?
- Bruce- It is run by the MGA and David Donnellan he is an independent contractor and employed by the MGA
- Who is going to help Donnellan? Bruce- David hires other people (golf pros)
- Aliberti Who is going bring kids to the bathroom are women going to be available to escort the girls.
- Alibirti Why are there no snacks? Bruce – You should have a meeting with Joe McCabe and talk to him and not attack me over snacks.
- Aliberti- Hands out a sheet from 2006 Agenda Item Summary² and goes over a few points that were on the agenda in 2006 at the September 9th meet that free golf was proposed at that meeting.
- Aliberti recommends terminating the first tee and returning money.

Chair Miller stops Mr Aliberti for his time is up, and suggests he, Bruce and Joe McCabe have a meeting he asks Mr. Aliberti if he would like to make a motion and he declines to do so.

New Business- The Olde Barnstable Membership & Hyannis Membership Association is in need of new leadership. It is important to keep the association running, is there anyone who would like to help or if anyone knows anyone who can help please let the board know.

Golf Director's Report – McIntyre

On the staffing we did have another new employee hired John Fowler who comes from the Dennis Courses and takes over Nick Lussiers position.

The seasonal staffing will start to come back soon and hopefully we will be up to speed soon.

Finance really quickly we are down revenue in March, April is trending upwards with the weather changing.

The entire staff got re certified in CPR and AED training this winter.

Chair Miller- Are we holding back spending at all

Bruce- Not at this point things are on track and in place

Bruce – I have an update on first tee from Joe McCabe last years First Tee had 64 players in the spring this year they have 160 kids which covers all the age groups. There are 25 kids waitlisted until there are more teachers available.

Director of Golf Maintenance Report –White

We opened 13 holes on April 1st at Hyannis. The last two weeks have been very challenging, I was on a tractor pulling snow into the sun so it could melt. We have started course clean up, put tee markers out trash barrels. We have aerated Olde Barnstable and we are set to do Hyannis next week. We will be doing over seeding of some of the winter kill to bring the greens back. The winter kill itself should be minimal we are aggressively looking at it and we are going to attack it as best we can. We are getting new flags with the tent logo. We are filling an open working Forman Position at Hyannis. Also the bathrooms will be out on the courses on Friday.

Closing Public Comments

Judy Souza- We need laborers for the beautification committee

Fred La Selva- I support Mr. Aliberti and I believe the Town of Barnstable should provide no cost golf instruction for children.

MOTION TO ADJOURN DULY MADE BY Mary Creighton SECONDED BY Geoff Converse
Vote: so voted unanimously

Adjourn: Time: 6:52PM

Next Golf Committee meeting scheduled Tuesday May 10th, 2015 at Olde Barnstable Fairgrounds

Respectfully submitted
Wayne R. Malcolm
Recording Secretary

Public files are available for viewing during normal business hours
** Further detail may be obtained by viewing the video via Channel 18 on demand or at
<http://www.townofbarnstable.us/GolfCommittee> **

¹ Survey Chart

² 2006 Agenda Item Summary