Minutes Harwich Golf Committee

June 19, 2018 Griffin Room Harwich Town Hall

Meeting Called To Order At 4:00 PM

Present: Clem Smith, Martha Duffy, Tom Johnson, and Jeff Williams

Absent: John Crook, Bob Kingsbury, and John Wheeler

Invited Guest: Roman Greer, Ron Leidner

Public Present:

Mr. Smith recognizes the contributions of committee members Jeff Williams and Bob Kingsbury who are stepping down from the Golf Committee with sincere appreciation.

Consent Agenda:

- Motion by Mr. Johnson to approve minutes from April meeting. Seconded by Ms. Duffy. Approved unanimously (4-0).
- Superintendent's Report is read.
- Irrigation pumps and controller is finally fully operational. While waiting on parts, there was some stress on the course due to weather conditions. Maintenance crew worked tirelessly to keep course in good shape.
- Bunker work still being worked on on the front 9.
- New solar panels in ponds on 10, 11 and 12 to help improve oxygen levels

Golf Operations Report

- Annual meeting with golf staff (pro shop and outside) was held and focused on customer service.
- Over 800 golfers have/will participate in 11 events held at the course over May and June
- 48 junior are signed up for the PGA Junior League and U16 League at CV

New Business:

- Ron Leidner, owner of the Hot Stove at Cranberry Valley, read a detailed report regarding his last 2+ years at CV
- Lease will terminate in March 2019, but has two one-year options

- Multiple improvements were necessary when he took over the restaurant from equipment to tables/ chairs to cosmetics.
- First year of operation was a major loss financially. Year 2 turned a \$4000 profit.
- Neither year saw Mr. Leidner take a salary for running the restaurant.
- Mr. Leidner gave recommendations for changes to the lease including:
 - Change end date of lease from March 31st so a new restauranteur can get a liquor license in time for the season.
 - o Eliminate rent in hopes the restaurant can turn a profit.
 - Have Town purchase a maintenance contract for the kitchen equipment instead of it being the responsibility of the restauranteur.
 - Have Town replace outdated patio furniture.
 - Have the Town pay for one employee to work in the restaurant to help decrease payroll.
 - Feels the Town should own the restaurant in its entirety (all equipment, furnishings, etc.)
 so there is not an empty room for the next restauranteur.
 - Should continue the \$15,000 yearly allotment for maintenance
- Biggest need currently is for patio furniture as it is old, rusty and people have fallen through chairs
- Each of the Committee members gave their input on the importance of the Hot Stove helping to create "the Cranberry Valley "experience" and the hopeful continuance of the "Hot Stove" as the food and beverage provider
- The forward tee project was discussed. Mark Mungeam's proposal for a full set of forward tee would cost \$230,000 spread out over 4 to 5 years.
- Mr. Mungeam, Mr. Greer and Mr. Smith walked the grounds to see about possibility of land for a "short course"
- Mr. Mungeam said land between holes 14 and 18 could become a "short course/putting complex"
- USGA will be coming to CV on July 12 to consult. Mr. Greer will send out invitations to Selectmen
 and other Town officials to attend.
- Elections for new officers of the Golf Committee will be held at the next meeting in July.

Old Business:

- Review of capital project
- Continues to be weekly Tuesday morning meetings with department heads and the job superintendent to give updates on the project.
- Foundation is now complete

- Task force met with cart fleet manufacturers.
- Companies will send carts to the course to demo
- Looking to have negotiations for new fleet in October.
- Mr. Johnson makes motion to accept the Gift Certificate policy. Seconded by Mr. Williams. Approved unanimously (4-0).
- Mr. Johnson updated the Committee on the success of the SMGA event.
- Cape Cod 5 donated 76 red shirts with American Flags, the SMGA donated 23 dozen golf balls for the teams, and two CV members (Mark Leach and Shawn Driscoll) donated food for the reception after golf. Also the Monomoy High School Women's Acapela group sang the Star Spangled Banner and America the Beautiful.

Motion to adjourn at 5:24pm – by Ms. Duffy, seconded by Mr. Williams. Unanimous (4-0)

Adjournment: 5:24pm

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Serijan