

May 20, 2014 Minutes

Present: Clem Smith, Tom Johnson, John Crook, Bob Kingsbury, Jeff Williams, Martha Duffy,

Absent: John Moretti

Invited guests: Dennis Hoyer, Rich Larios, Angelo LaMantia.

Clem Smith asks Rich Larios to go through the process that triggers Capital Outlay involvement and how does Finance Committee interplay with those actions.

\*Finance Committee has nothing to do with Capital Outlay. Finance works directly with the Board of Selectman and Capital Outlay works directly with the Town Administrator.

\*anything over \$50,000 goes to Capital Outlay to be determined if it should be funded.

\*the process starts in September (starting this September there will be new forms to be submitted for each individual project that is being requested), Capital Outlay goes to all department heads and committees to see what large expenditures they feel they will need in the following 6-7 years.

John Crook asks what the process is for a project to go from Capital Outlay to Finance Committee and how decisions are made along the line once a recommendation is made that X amount of dollars is needed for something. Rich Larios answers that it depends on the project and depends on the finances of the town and the priority of the project.

Tom Johnson asks if Capital Outlay takes into consideration the revenue a town business has produced when making a decision to approve or not approve a project that has been requested? Rich Larios answers yes that is taken into consideration. Tom Johnson states the Golf Committee is looking for some clarity on the new Cart Barn project because the committee feels as though the Golf Course has produced enough revenue to have paid for the new cart barn had the course been able to save revenue as an exclusive business.

Clem Smith asks now that there are real figures and plans have been drawn up for the new cart barn building what would be the next step to take in this project? Rich Larios answers most importantly 1) would be to make sure that the figures that are submitted are real and accurate figures. The Finance committee and the Town Administrator will be looking at how much of this figure will be financed and for how long.

Bob Kingsbury asks how does a project get pushed ahead or pulled back? Rich Larios answers that it is the priorities of the town and the finances at that time.

Rich Larios –wrap up:

\*Capital Outlay will be coming out with a new request form that will be filled out for each individual request being made, with anticipation of current year 2016 and following 7 years with descriptions

\*then an overlay of finance committee will ask how you will make money and where you may be able to cut some costs.

\*finance committee works directly with the Board of Selectman (on daily operations)

\*Capital Outlay works directly with the Town Administrator (big ticket items)

\*Town Administrator presents it to the Selectmen

Bob Kingsbury asks if there is a way that the spending cap of \$50,000 on the Golf Improvement fund can be changed, and if so could the payment for the new cart barn be paid through that account. Angelo LaMantia answers yes but the ultimate decision is up to the town at a town meeting.

Rich Larios leaves the meeting at 4:55pm

Consent Agenda:

Bob Kingsbury motions to approve April minutes, Jeff Williams second, vote 6-0

Director of Golf report –Dennis Hoyer

\*so far this year memberships are even with last year at this time.

\*revenue is a little off because of the rain in April

\*the course is in the best shape he has seen in the 27 years he has been there

\*great feedback on the new golf carts

\*portable toilets are in on 14 and 15, members seem to be very happy with them

\*the Ray Jefferson dedication has been approved by the Board of Selectmen

\*the restaurant has now gone from paper plates to china dishes. The Board of Health has given them 1 year to see how it goes. Ian Philbrick is also, working on putting a sign up at the end of the driveway.

Old Business:

Tom Johnson reports the plaque for Charlie Mooney has been placed on a boulder at the Driving Range, Shawn Fernandez will plant some flowers and a picture will be put up in the hallway of the Clubhouse and a flag will be made.

John Crook goes over the list of Priorities and flow up issues list from previous meetings.

Bob Kingsbury's report on the Cart Barn.

\*presents cost estimate from the Architectural Firm and shows the redesign plans.

Bib Kingsbury will invite the Architectural firm to the next meeting to give a presentation.

New Business:

Jeff Williams will be forming a sub-committee to look into what a senior membership potential would be.

\*audience comment by Bill Given- he is wondering if there could be a membership category created for people who still want to play but

physically can play 18 holes or play 9 holes enough to justify the current membership price?

Jeff Williams will add this topic to the sub-committee discussions.

Dennis Hoyer is concerned that with the change in the daily price breakdown that there is going to be a substantial amount of unsold tee times at the mid-day times of 2:30-4:30.

The Committee feels it is too soon to act on this topic until there is more data collected. Dennis Hoyer was asked to collect the data comparing last May and June to this May and June for the next meeting. Dennis Hoyer said he would gather what information he can gather but is worried that by the next meeting it will be too late. He reminds the committee a public meeting needs to be advertised for 2 weeks so the results would not take effect until July and a lot of revenue will be lost.

Comments from Audience:

Linda Sweeney would like minutes available on the town website and updated.

Joe Sweeney asks Dennis Hoyer why play is closed for the Cape Cod women's league until 2:30 if there are only 30 people signed up for it. Dennis Hoyer answers part of it is because they send groups of two out and mainly because the state requires them to have the course to themselves until play is finished. He reminds Mr. Sweeney that it is the same for the men when the member/guest only had 80 people signed up.

Clem Smith motions to adjourn at 6:30 pm, motion is unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenn Heath HGC, Secretary