

Harwich Golf Committee

Public Rates and Fees Hearing October 26, 2021

Meeting called to order at 4:10PM

Present: Clem Smith, John Crook, Carol Fuller, and Paul White

Absent: Martha Duffy, Steve Bilotta and Jack Connolly

Invited Guest: Roman Greer (Director of Golf)

Public: Deborah Heffernan, Leo Heffernan, Jason Laramee

Director's Report on Rates and Fees:

- Goals of the rate and fee recommendations:
 - Raise money into the Golf Improvement Fund to pay for irrigation upgrades
 - Increase money into the General Fund to offset the increase in the FY23 budget
 - To get one year closer to a single non-resident rate
- Recommending a \$50 increase to all adult (full, young adult, collegiate) membership rates (\$150 to Chatham, Eastham and Orleans).
 - Increase of \$30 would go to the General Fund (\$130 for Chatham, Eastham and Orleans).
 - Increase of \$20 would go to the Golf Improvement Fund (Currently \$95 of every membership goes into GIF, next year that would be \$115).
- Also recommending a \$50 increase to the Range Pass
- Mass Golf will be handling all GHIN memberships online and are standardizing the rate for all courses to \$55

Public Comment:

- Mrs. Heffernan asked if the Committee would consider raising rates high enough to cap membership levels. She also address the need for the Committee to address the issue of restrooms on the course.
- Mr. White makes a motion to close the public hearing and open a special meeting to adopt rates and fees. Seconded by Ms. Fuller. Unanimous vote (4-0).

Special Meeting:

- Mr. White made a motion to approve the rates and fees as outlined at the Public Hearing. Seconded by Ms. Fuller.
 - Mr. White commented that he liked the way the fees were broken down and explained as it pertained to money going to different funds.
 - Motion approved unanimously (4-0)

- Mr. Crook mentioned the discussion the Board of Selectmen made about revolving funds at their last meeting.
 - Mr. Greer mentioned the Pro Shop Revolving Fund and Infrastructure Fund are revolving funds. The Golf Improvement Fund is not a revolving fund.

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Crook. Seconded by Ms. Fuller. Unanimous vote 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 4:38 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Serijan, HGC Secretary