

March 12, 2015
Draft Meeting Minutes
Beaver Meadow Golf Advisory Committee

Members Present:

Chris Mulleavey, Chair
Jim Marshall
Dick Holden
Jan McClure
Bob Vachon
Mark Coen
Roger Jobin
Bob Norton
Fran Hunt
Bernard "Sid" Chase
David Gill
Phil Davis
David Croft

Members Absent:

Vera Buck
Bill Veroneau
Charles Vanasdalan

Others Attending:

Mayor Jim Bouley

A call to Order

Jan apologizes and informs Committee she will need to leave early for another appointment

5 Minutes of Public Input

None

Chris asks if there is a motion to approve the Draft minutes from the February 12, 2015 meeting or any questions about the minutes.

Jim Marshall moves approval of the minutes from the February 12, 2015 Meeting.

Bob Norton seconds the motion.

Motion Carries 9-0

Phil Davis is introduced as new Head Professional for Beaver Meadow

Phil Describes his background at Manchester (VT) Country Club, Dick's Sporting Goods and Ekwanok CC also in Vermont.

Phil hopes to bring that Private Country Club experience to the golfers at Beaver Meadow. The Committee welcomes Phil and wishes him well.

Bob Norton shares his belief that the course should have a functioning Handicap Committee and asks Phil for his experience with them.

Phil has experience working with Handicap Committee but has never built one from the ground up and tells Committee is important to the game. It is important to regularly check scores as posted.

Course Update

Looking ahead it is probable we will open the second or third week of April

Very little ice on greens, corny, allowing gas exchange

Many projects to finish up

 Culvert project

 Clean up from Mucking out pond

 Tee project

 Storm clean up from Thanksgiving storm

Staff confirming outings

Nation Golf Day is April 15th odd since most northern courses not open

Skiing and Skating grew this winter

 Jess had some business weekends, more golfers than skiers stopped in

Assistant Pro position still posted

 City Web

 PGA Web

 LPGA Web

 School Websites

Old Business

None

New Business

Mayor Bouley addresses group and thanks them for their service.

8 years ago Committee was expanded. Since that time the Committee has helped expand use of facility to four seasons.

When the Course hit a financial bump a few years ago, the Committee advocated for the Course and helped convince the Concord community that it was worthwhile to have and support a golf course.

As a token of his appreciation, Mayor Bouley came today to distribute to the Committee, bag tags, donated by Page Belting, signifying their membership on the Committee.

Mayor Bouley asks if the group has any questions. Chris Mulleavey comments we are fortunate to have Councilors Jan McClure and Mark Coen on the Committee that provide strong voices at City Council advocating for the Golf Course

The Committee thanks Mayor Bouley for joining us this morning.

Mark Coen asks what attracted Phil to Beaver Meadow:

Phil answers he is a native New Englander and was anxious to return to New Hampshire
Phil liked the interview process, professional but relaxed, more like a conversation. It made him want to be a part of the Concord and Beaver Meadow communities. He is intrigued with the history of the course coming from another Geoffrey Cornish course.

David tells Committee he would like to re-purpose the appropriation for the golf Simulator and instead to use it as follows:

\$15, 000 to be added to Equipment for a rough mower

\$10,000 to paint the clubhouse

\$15,000 for Landscape Plan and Improvements to entrance

Discussion

Sign on #5 Tee is antiquated and should be replaced also

Important to improve curb appeal

Group supports repurposing of appropriation

Mayor Bouley encourages Committee to think about the revenue generated by simulator and wouldn't discourage Committee from pursuing both.

Dick Holden ask whether City should lease or buy

Phil says buying used is an option and has a colleague who has done well with used.

Chris Mulleavey suggests the endeavor could be difficult organizationally, with the Pro gone in the winter, it falls to the City or restaurant to staff.

Bob Norton feels we need a Pied Piper to sell the idea to Committee and City.

Mayor Bouley encourages Committee to go forward with repurposing of money and as Phil settles in and gets more comfortable with organization, to look at it again.

Bob Norton would like to see a business plan with hard numbers.

Bob Norton moves approval of plan as presented by staff

Jim Marshall seconds

Discussion

Bob Vachon ask if Course could still get money for the simulator

Mayor Bouley says if both are presented and make sense Course can get money

Motion passes 8-0

Bob Norton moves Staff put together a business plan with hard numbers

Bob Vachon seconds

Motion carries 8-0

Mark Coen asks for a timeline for completed projects with appropriated dollars

David will work to see all are done by mid-May

Committee is reminded of complaints that sign on #5 blocks view of traffic

Staff will clear with Engineering

Chris Mulleavey asks that David bring some rendition of sign(s) for Committee to see

Bob Vachon would like to thank Mark and Page Belting for the bag tags

Chris asks if there is a motion to adjourn.
Jim Marshall so Moves.
Dick Seconds,
Motion Carries. 8-0

Meeting is set for April 9, 2015

7:30 AM

Beaver Meadow Clubhouse

Agenda:

Public Input

Approval of Minutes

Old Business

Meeting Adjourned.