

March 6, 2025

Mack A. Bean, Ed. D.
37 Modena Drive
Penacook, NH 03303

City of Concord
The Board of Ethics
37 Green Street
Concord, NH 03301

Re: Ethics Complaint

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing in response to an ethical complaint filed against me regarding my appointment to the Golf Course Advisory Committee. In this complaint, I have been accused of accepting an appointment to this Committee as a representative of the General Public while stating in my introductory letter to the City Council that I am a member of Beaver Meadow Golf Course. In making this statement, I have been accused of not being a member of the General Public and, therefore, have violated Ordinance 30-3-1 (c). Further, in violating this Ordinance, I have been accused of seeking this appointment under false pretense.

In response to this complaint, I did not apply nor accept this appointment under false pretense. I made it clear regarding my relationship with Beaver Meadow Golf Course to the City Council in my introductory letter. In doing so, my appointment and acceptance to this Committee was made public based on this fact and, therefore, there was no false pretense.

In addition, I have been a resident of Concord for almost 30 years and I have held relations with a number of the City's public entities such as holding a library card at the city's library. Such relations should not exclude me from serving the city in an advisory capacity.

As a resident, I also pay taxes to the city. This fact makes me a General Public member as my tax dollars contributes to the overall funding on the city's public entities. Such contributions create a financial interest in the city. In being so, like all Concord residents, I am affected by changes in tax and spending decisions. Although serving in an advisory capacity allows one to voice an opinion, it doesn't give one the power to make final decisions. Such opinions are made based on understanding the financial impacts of taxes and spending on the city's residents in which I am a part and, therefore, excludes any conflict of interest. In fact, my background as an economics and finance professor aligns my appointment to this Committee with the welfare of the public as I both know and teach the importance of being fiscally responsible. Therefore, my opinions will always be based on the best interest of the city and not my personal well-being as I, too, am affected by the final decisions. In conclusion, I am innocent of the complaint filed against me and hope that the City Council rules as such.

Sincerely,

Mack A. Bean, Ed. D.

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Deborah Tuite, Deputy City Clerk
City of Concord, New Hampshire
41 Green Street
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Dear Ms Tuite:

I am in receipt of an ethics complaint from a Marcy Charette regarding my participation on the City's Beaver Meadow Advisory Board. My position as a member of this volunteer committee is as a member of the General Public.

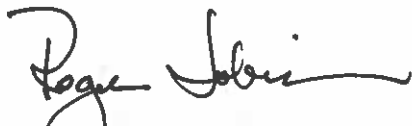
On page 2, Section II, she refers to me as a "member" of Beaver Meadow in the first paragraph of her complaint. I wish to state that I have not been a member of Beaver Meadow Golf Course since 1985 (40 years!). I play there occasionally but very infrequently. In 2024, I played there once in a fundraising event.

Charette often writes long, negative, diatribes about Beaver Meadow but I believe, in reality, she knows little more of the operations at Beaver Meadow than her limited perspective. I do not agree with her obviously contorted perspective and I wish to go on record as saying that I believe she is off base by naming me in this ethics complaint.

It is my opinion that the people that serve on the Beaver Meadow Advisory Committee are all volunteers who do their best to see that the golf course is run in an efficient and orderly manner. I see absolutely no self-dealing in any area that the committee addresses.

Finally, I believe Ms Charette and her ally, Councilor Stacy Brown, will not stop their attacks on Beaver Meadow as they believe they know better than anyone else what is best for the City in this matter. I strongly disagree with their point of view and their campaign to do anything they can to throw sand in the gears of progress.

Thank you.



Roger P Jobin

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30 Hampshire Drive
Concord, NH 03301
March 3, 2025

Board of Ethics
City of Concord
41 Green Street
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Dear Board Members;

I am writing to respond to an ethics violation that has been lodged against me as a member of the Beaver Meadow Golf Advisory Committee. Specifically, the complaint alleges that I have a conflict of interest since my position on the committee states I am a member of the public. This is true as I have lived and paid taxes in Concord since 1984. It is also true that I am golfer and season pass holder at Beaver Meadow. I am a member of the public who happens to be a golfer, not a golfer who happens to be a member of the public.

I am enclosing a copy of the letter of intent that I submitted in 2016. That letter clearly states that I am a golfer. And yet Mayor Bouley appointed me. It has been my understanding that my role was to monitor golf course operations and make sure that the course was being managed in the best interests of the city. Since I have served on the committee, I have strived to the best of my ability to be even-handed in the discussions and recommendations we have made. I have received no personal gain for this. I pay for my golf and all items I purchase at the pro shop. There has been no financial advantage to me, and in fact I have voted to increase the cost of golf over the years to keep the course solvent. In terms of voting for a new clubhouse, I am too old to get much use from it in the future, but I feel strongly that it would be an asset for the city as a whole, not just for golfers. I also spoke up against a more expensive clubhouse design.

There are many advisory boards in Concord. It would make sense that the people who serve on them have some knowledge of what they are advising. These are volunteer positions, and despite the complaint against me and others on the committee, there is no advantage to us from our participation on the committee, other than knowing we have performed a service to the city.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Mattlage

30 Hampshire Drive
Concord, NH 03301
February 4, 2016

Mayor Jim Bouley
City Hall
41 Green Street
Concord, NH 03301

Dear Mayor Bouley:

This letter is being written to request your consideration of my appointment to the Golf Advisory Board at Beaver Meadow Golf Course. I have been a season pass holder at Beaver Meadow for 20 years. I have also helped to organize and run the Wednesday evening and Thursday morning ladies golf leagues. I have been a resident of Concord for 32 years.

Professionally, I am a retired pediatric nurse practitioner. I worked for 19 years at Concord Pediatrics. Prior to that I was a manager at Concord Hospital for 11 years. I was also active in the New Hampshire Nurse Practitioner Association serving on the board as treasurer and on the education committee.

I am now in a position to give back to my community. I have volunteered at the St, Vincent de Paul food pantry for about 7 years, and I am currently a CASA volunteer. I feel that I can offer commitment and enthusiasm to the golf advisory board.

Thank you for your consideration of my appointment..

Sincerely,

Linda Matlage

Tuite, Deborah

From: Linda Mattlage <l.mattlage@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 3, 2025 3:04 PM
To: Tuite, Deborah
Subject: response to ethics complaint
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Enclosed is my response to the complaint that has been filed against me as a member of the Golf Course Advisory Committee. This response references my original letter of intent. Since I could not find it in my computer, I needed to take a picture of the hard copy and email it to you in separate message.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Linda Mattlage