

MINUTES

Beaver Meadow Golf Advisory Committee Meeting
October 31, 2019

In Attendance: Jennifer Kretovic, Bob Norton, Fran Hunt, Mark Coen, Linda Mattlage, Bob Whatmough, Dick Holden, Roger Jobin, Brian LeBrun, Phil Davis, and Bernard “Sid” Chase.

Absent: Chris Mulleavey (Chair) and Jim Marshall.

The meeting was called to order. Dick Holden served as Chair in Chris Mulleavey’s absence.

- 1) **Public Input:** Gil Rogers requested that the committee consider a weekday cart membership fee. Dick Holden asked Sid Chase to add this to the agenda with the 2020 Daily Fee recommendations. Gil also commented on how great the greens were this past season.

Russ Matthews thanked the entire staff of the course (Pro Shop, Restaurant, and Maintenance) for a great year.

- 2) **Approval of September 19, 2019 Meeting Minutes:** Dick Holden asked if there was a motion to approve the draft minutes. Bob Norton motioned, and Linda Mattlage seconded, to approve the September 19, 2019 minutes. The minutes were unanimously approved.

3) **Course Update:**

Financials:

- Deputy City Manager Brian LeBrun reported positive revenue growth to date for FY 2020. He noted that it was important to continue to provide good course conditions and excellent customer service.

Grounds:

- Continuing to aerate tees.
- Leaf collection is underway – there have been no complaints.
- Parks staff manually removed weeds from around the skating pond, and the pond has been refilled to capacity.
- Blue Ribbon Fencing has been awarded the fencing project on Hole #9. Work to begin soon.
- The irrigation project is complete. Waiting on As-Built map. Will operate the system prior to blowing out next week.
- USGA Agronomist visit was completed. Staff expects reports in the next week or so. Reports will be shared with this committee and a report to Council will be submitted. Extensive tree work is needed. The cost to improve damage from worm castes is \$200 per acre. There will also be a cost for stump mitigation.
- Range dispenser token device ordered.

- 4) **Capital Improvement Plan:** The committee reviewed and updated the 10-year CIP for the golf course. The differences between Operating and Capital expenses were discussed.

Bob Norton motioned to recommend the plan, as discussed, to the City Manager for consideration as part of the FY 2021 budget process. Roger Jobin seconded. The motion was approved on a unanimous voice vote.

- 5) **Old Business:** Roger Jobin referenced old pictures dating to 1967 renovation. He would like to see them again. Stagnant demographics of today's golfers were discussed. Beaver Meadow has been at the forefront of attracting women and juniors. The PGA Junior League has been extremely successful.
- 6) **Adjournment:** Bob Norton motioned, and Linda Matlage seconded, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned on a unanimous voice vote.
- 7) **Next Meeting:** Thursday, December 5th, at 8:00 AM, at BMGC Clubhouse.