

MINUTES

Beaver Meadow Golf Advisory Committee Meeting
May 12, 2022

In Attendance: Chris Mulleavey (Chair), Ruthann Bradley, Gary Darby, Mark Coen, Jennifer Kretovic, Nathan Fennessy, Linda Mattridge, Roger Jobin, Bob Whatmough, Phil Davis, Pat Lanman, and Brian LeBrun.

Absent: Dick Holden, Bob Norton, Fran Hunt, and Corey Schofield.

- 1) **5 Minutes of Public Input:** There was no public input.
- 2) **Approval of Meeting Minutes:** A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the April 21, 2022 meeting. The minutes were approved with a unanimous voice vote.
- 3) **Pro Shop/Operations:**
 - Memberships are up. Currently have 96 Adult, 83 Senior, 59 Young Adult, 27 College, and 55 Junior members. Seniors are up by about 20 over last year at this time.
 - Course is very busy, with lots of greens fees, and tee time utilization is up. During COVID, our tee time utilization was 72-87%, the course is at 71-75% now. One can no longer just walk in and expect to play without having booked a tee time.
 - April rounds are down slightly due to the cold, wet weather. At one point in April, we were down by about 500 rounds; by the end of April we were only down by 150.
 - Average revenue per round for the month of May is up by \$5.00 over last year.. Total revenue for the course for January to May is up by \$20,000 over last year.
 - All leagues have steadily increased and are running smoothly.
 - Brian LeBrun gave accolades to Phil for getting Tee Snap up and running so well over the last four years. Using the statistical data from Tee Snap has allowed the course to manage its operations more efficiently.
 - The new Assistant Golf Pro, Josh Lacasse, is doing great and will be introduced at the next meeting.
 - Nathan Fennessy asked if there had been any complaints about the clean-up that has been happening between Holes 6 and 7. Pat Lanman indicated that he had received no complaints.
 - Chris Mulleavey inquired about the range machine. Phil indicated that the door had been delivered and needed to be installed. The plan is to have the door installed tomorrow.
- 4) **Course Update:**
 - Current focus has been on Hole 5 – with sodding around the green and seeding. The cart path near Hole 11 has received some attention, in addition to sodding and seeding around the green. Moving on to Holes 10 and 16 next.
 - All greens have been aerified and top dressings are down. Phil indicated that the tee boxes and greens are in great condition. Bob Whatmough commented that the greens are looking the best he's ever seen.

- Three new trees have been planted. One near Hole 7, one near the parking area, and one near Hole 16. Perennials are also being planted in various areas around the course.
- The irrigation project has been delayed slightly and will begin approximately May 20th. Completion is set for June 15th.
- Phil confirmed that all clean-up and needed improvements on the course will be done prior to the Red, White & Blue tournament.

5) **Other:** Deputy City Manager Brian LeBrun reminded committee members about the FY 2023 budget review process, noting that the Finance Committee would be reviewing the Capital Improvement Program on June 2nd, which includes the proposal to begin the design and engineering for a new clubhouse; that the Golf operating budget would be reviewed at the June 6th meeting; and that the budget is scheduled to be adopted on June 9th. Public hearings will be held at each of these meetings. Brian noted that those who want to show support for funding for the design and engineering of a new clubhouse should attend the meeting on June 2nd. All of these meetings will take place in Council Chambers beginning at 5:30 PM.

Jennifer Kretovic showed the committee a sign that has been created in support of Beaver Meadow Golf Course. Page Belting will be printing the signs, which say “I love Golf, I love to Ski, I love the Beave”. The signs will be given out for people to display on private property to show support for the golf course.

6) **Adjournment:** A motion was made and seconded, and the meeting was adjourned on a unanimous voice vote.