

Town of Ridgefield – Golf Committee Meeting Minutes

Regular Meeting – via Zoom –

October 18, 2023

7:30 PM

Unapproved

Members Present:

Chairperson: Mr. Tyrrell

Committee Members: Mr. Reilly, Mr. Ippoliti, Mr. Colamaria, Mr. Mancini

Members Absent:

Mr. Mischenko, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Potter

Staff Present:

Golf Director and General Manager: Mr. Sergiovanni

The meeting was called to order at 7:32 pm.

Item #1: Public Comment – there was no public comment.

Item #2: Review minutes from previous meetings

- A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously adopted to approve the minutes of the September 2023 as written.

Item #3:

Mr. Sergiovanni:

Course:

- The wet weather looks like it will never end. While the course was open on most days, there was a limited operation on 11 of them. When carts are not allowed, not only do we lose the revenue from the carts, but we also lose those players who need a cart to play at all.
- In response to the wet conditions, a plan is in place to add additional cart paths on the right side of 2, the right side of 4, and the left side of 11. These three holes are historically our wettest and we must keep carts off those fairways.

- There is still a plan to add a greenside bunker on 14, but the June drought, and then the constant rain and flooding overwhelmed the maintenance staff, so it will be done when time permits.

Operations:

- Revenue for July was down 16,000 from the previous year; August was down 16,000; and September was down 62,000 from the previous year. We will close the first half of the fiscal year behind our revenue goal.
- The mini excavator approved by the voters last May has arrived and the Superintendent has put it to good use.

Item #4: Old business

- Any revenue from a future cell tower does not stay at the golf course. It goes into the Town's general fund like all other leases.

Item #5: New business – there was no new business.

A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously adopted to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 pm.