

May 3, 1966

Mr. Harry Eckoff  
National Golf Foundation  
Merchandise Mart  
Chicago, Illinois 60654

Dear Mr. Eckoff:

The Town of Ridgefield is now in the process of acquiring land for open space and recreation purposes and we are looking forward to the day we may have a municipal golf course.

To this end, we make the following inquiry and request your assistance and guidance:

1. Who is a topnotch man to guide us in the New England area?
2. How much land is required for a nine-hole and an eighteen-hole course?
3. Is a nine-hole or an eighteen-hole course more feasible or practical for a municipal course?
4. If the land is good, rolling land, what might a nine or eighteen hole course cost including a functional club house?
5. What has been the experience with municipal courses toward paying their own way once open and operating?

We will, of course, appreciate such further information you can advance, for as we advance with this adventure we need all available data to convince our taxpayers that today something is desired above and beyond the "bare bones" of municipal services, but we also want to acquaint our people with all the facts, in particular, the potential expense.

Your assistance will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Leo F. Carroll  
First Selectman

cc: Robert MacGregor ✓