

The Golf Course Committee met on Thursday April 3, 1975 at the King Neptune Restaurant at 7.00 p.m.

Members present; David Canfield, Vincent Paccadolmi, Peter Yanity, Gino Torcellini Ray Phelan, Mrs. Lodi Kysor, Reed Shields, Fred Orrico

David Canfield opened the meeting by asking if there were any revisions or discussions on the minutes of the March 19th meeting. Mr. Phelan wanted it to be on record that the bridge was cut down without the permission of the Golf Course Committee. Dave spoke on three (3) requests he had received for tournaments.

1. The Ridgefield Fathers Club for a tentative date of June 28 (Sat.) This would involve approx. 150 players.
2. The Fire Dept. requested a date later in the year.
3. Ceba-Geigy Corp. requested a date for late May or early June.

A discussion followed on whether we could free up the course on a weekend. Fred Orrico thought we should keep the first three hours open for our regular players. This subject was discussed. Mrs. Kysor made a MOTION that we allow the Fathers Club to have their tournament on June 28 with June 29 being a rain date. Tee off time will be 10.00 a.m. using only one tee until completion of play. Fred Orrico seconded the motion and it was approved.

The Ridgefield Open was discussed and Peter Yanity said we should take up each request as they applied since we might have to cut off at a certain time. Lodi Kysor requested a large calendar for the clubhouse and Vincent Paccadolmi said he would contact the Golf Digest to try to obtain one. Dave Canfield spoke about Michael Lanigan seeking a position as golf pro. Mr. Canfield read his resume and asked the committee what kind of deal we could offer him. John Longden receives \$7,200 leaving \$3,800. Dave suggested a salary of \$2,000 also he would run the pro shop as a concession, give golf lessons and get 50¢ from each golf cart. Dave thought that about \$1,000 could be made on carts alone. Lodi Kysor said we must have a proper job description including all the duties and responsibilities. It was generally discussed as to whether we really need a golf pro and all agreed that we do.

Ray Phelan made a MOTION that we hire a golf pro and Fred Orrico seconded it it was approved. All agreed to the above motion with the exception of Gino Torcellini who abstained. A second MOTION was made by Lodi Kysor that we draw up a package including number of days worked by personnel all the responsibilities designated. The motion was seconded by Fred Orrico and passed. Discussion on the price of golf-lessons and Mrs. Kysor thought it should be by mutual agreement the price set between the committee and the golf pro.

David Canfield made a MOTION that we offer the position as golf pro to Michael Lanigan. Ray Phelan seconded it and it was passed. Causeway discussion followed. Mr. Phelan spoke on meeting with Planning and Zoning. They did not go along with the town engineer's proposal of how to remedy our problems. Fred Orrico spoke on using steel joists for bridges across the channel. Ray said from the 17th to the 16th we had clear waterway. The concern by Planning & Zoning is how much weight can the bridge take? Ray said can we do it without putting weight on bridge we must allow water to go through. The channel we put in will do a good job. Ray concluded the subject by stating that something has to done NOW and that we have to bridge the area.

Dave Canfield spoke on the work being done to the clubhouse. Things are progressing very well. Interior work, wiring etc. was being done. Mrs. Kysor arranged for lockers to be obtained from the old high school (fifty) also a filing cabinet and a couple of chairs. Mrs. Kysor offered to donate a desk for the clubhouse.. Ray Phelan spoke on a golf ball dispensing machine to be donated by Mr. Bob Meyer. Dave said he would get in touch with Mr. Meyer. Dave also spoke on correspondence pertaining to the Gracy suit. Mr. Shields read the letters from the lawyer and thought it would be a good idea to have Mr. Fricke attend a meeting.

At this time Reed Shields made a MOTION that the Golf Committee invite Mr. Fricke to our meeting on April 21st. Fred Orrico seconded it and it was approved. Dave Canfield said that the opening of the golf course is postponed one week because of bad weather. Our Greens Superintendant would like to hire one additional man within the next week and three men for the summer months. Discussion followed on pay rates. Full time help will receive \$2.50 per hour.

Fred Orrico made a MOTION that we hire a fourth man for the course. The motion was seconded by Vincent Paccadolmi and approved. Mrs. Kysor spoke on non-resident season passes as she had received an inquiry as to the rate. Dave Canfield asked the committee do we want to have an additional non-resident flat rate? It was decided that there would be no full season passes to non residents. The \$50.00 rate would apply. The meeting adjourned at 9.30 p.m.

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