

MINUTES OF THE APRIL 19, 2018
MEETING, OF THE COUNTRY CLUB MANAGEMENT
COMMITTEE (CCMC), HELD IN THE "TOUR",
AT THE SOUTH SHORE COUNTRY CLUB (SSCC).

Members Present:

Jack Bailey, Roderick Gaskell and William Friend.

Others Attending:

Carol Costello, CCMC liaison, from the Community Preservation Committee (CPC); David Anderson and Robert Curley, CCMC liaisons, from the Town of Hingham Advisory Committee (ADCOM) and Warren Pelissier and Christine Smith trustees, of the Friends of the SSCC were all present for the entire meeting.

In addition, Katherine Curley, Kerry Ryan, Tom Harrington, Jack Gamache and Steve Young, guests, were present for portions, if not the entire meeting.

The Chairman called the meeting to order, at 5:10 PM. The members in attendance constituted a quorum. A quorum remained throughout the meeting

William Friend opened the meeting with a discussion of the SSCC Swimming Pool Financial/Feasibility, Site Suitability and Schematic Design Study (Feasibility Study). Prior to commencing this discussion, the latest version of the Feasibility Study was distributed to the committee members and committee liaisons.

William Friend noted that the version handed out had been received just minutes prior to the commencement of the meeting and that he assumed it reflected the first round of corrections he had provided to Bergmann Hendrie + Archetype, Inc. (BH+A) in a phone call the prior morning. He then called the committee's attention to provisions of the Feasibility Study's Executive Summary and Total Projected Cost Calculation sections which had been corrected or modified. He added that, based on comments he had recently received from committee members and others involved in the process, he was certain additional typos and corrections would be made to the Feasibility Study, following the town meeting.

William Friend then explained, that it was his understanding the Feasibility Study would soon be in a "pdf format" which, eventually, could be easily updated and posted on the SSCC website, to enable everyone have access to it.

The discussion of the Feasibility Study and matters related to it continued with comments from committee members, liaisons and guests attending the meeting.

Upon completion of the Feasibility Study discussion, the committee and committee liaisons discussed preparation for the upcoming town meeting. Reviewed, in the course of this discussion, was who would be speaking, with regard to Article 17 Section (9) of the Warrant for Town Meeting (pertaining to Community Preservation Act funding for the preparation and design of plans and drawings for a new pool facility at the SSCC). As part of this discussion, the probable speakers were identified, the matters to be presented were discussed and the town meeting process was reviewed.

The next order of business was the committee's discussion of a request that veterans be given a discount off of the SSCC membership rates. It was pointed out that the committee had previously approved discounted greens fees for veterans. It was immediately agreed that a discount was in order. A discussion followed that included comments from Jack Gamache and committee members concerning the amount of the discount and other details relating to the documentation necessary to obtain the discount. Following this discussion, on motion duly made and seconded,

it was unanimously agreed that a ten-percent (10%) veteran's discount, off of fees for all membership levels, would be effective on all new golf memberships at the SSCC.

Following the discussion of discounted SSCC membership rates for veterans, the committee discussed the pending Intergovernmental Seasonal Pool Agreement. William Friend explained that the Agreement before the committee had been prepared by town counsel, to document the understanding between the CCMC and Town Recreation Department concerning operation of the SSCC pool this upcoming summer. He noted that the agreement had been previously presented to the committee for review and contained essentially the same terms and provisions as CCMC's prior year's agreement with the Recreation Department-except that this year the Recreation Department had agreed to pay a larger share of the utility costs applicable to the pool.

After a short discussion, on motion duly made and seconded, the committee unanimously agreed to approve the Intergovernmental Seasonal Pool Agreement for the 2018 season and authorized William Friend to sign the agreement on behalf of the CCMC.

Also, as part of the discussion regarding the existing pool, William Friend provided the committee with a copy of the most recent letter from Apex Engineering, documenting their April 4, 2018 inspection of the crack monitors on the SSCC pool structure. The letter, from Scott Orłowski P.E., President of Apex Engineering, states the following:

"there is no noticeable movement in the crack Monitors therefore this office sees no reason why the pool cannot remain open, provided the monthly monitoring continues".

The next order of business was the presentation, review and approval of the minutes of CCMC's January 8, 2018, February 27, 2018 and March 28, 2018 meetings. Several corrections were made to the minutes presented and thereafter on motion duly made and seconded the minutes for all three meetings, as corrected, were approved and accepted. William Friend, secretary/clerk of the meeting, was then authorized to make the necessary corrections to these minutes, as well as any other corrections he deemed necessary and appropriate and to then forward the minutes to the Town Clerk for posting.

The chairman followed the review of the minutes with a presentation of SSCC's current financial report. He handed out a report on SSCC's year-to-date revenue through the April 18 and compared these results to the SSCC's revenue for the prior year. He also presented a report on this year's membership sign-ups, compared the sign-up rate to the prior year and added that, even with all the rain and snow in early April, he felt the revenues for the year through the end of April would be comparable if not ahead of the prior year.

The next order of business was a report on the status of Friends of the SSCC, the 501©3 non-profit (tax exempt) fundraising organization previously approved by the committee. William Friend informed the committee members that, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts approvals had been received but the IRS tax exempt approval was still pending.

The committee's discussion of the non-profit fundraising organization was concluded with a review of how the Friends of SSCC would work with the CCMC, to raise funds for specific capital needs of the SSCC, including the proposed swimming pool project and specifically targeted capital improvements to the golf course.

This was followed with a discussion concerning the fence on the north side of the existing pool which had been damaged in recent storms and the steps that were being taken to collect insurance proceeds for the damage, replace the fence and obtain the needed approvals for the work, before the swim season commences.

The final matter to be considered was whether or not it would be practical for the CCMC to sell its maintenance office, located adjacent to the 18th green, to the Affordable Housing Trust. It was determined, after a short discussion, that, even though the building needs considerable work, it still serves an important function for the SSCC and plans were still being considered for its future use as a half-way station for golfers. So, it was agreed that it would not be appropriate to enter into any discussions to sell the building at this time.

Following this discussion, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
William Friend
Chairman and Clerk