

Minutes from Golf Course Advisory Committee meeting 11/6/13

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Deborah Moore at 7:35 p.m.

Present: Deborah Moore, Chryso Lawless, Steve Stone, Bob Smith, Sylvia Stickney, Larry Wise

The purpose of the meeting was to review the Request for Proposals to manage the Pinecrest Golf Course and the Fairview Restaurant.

The motion to go into Executive Session was passed.

The committee reviewed the two restaurant proposals first.

Michael Ficco was ranked not advantageous due to a lack of financial support and lack of detail on his menu. He did not submit his resume.

John McCarthy was also ranked not advantageous. His menu items were vague and there was a lack of information. He also included several demands which conflicted with the historical operation of the Fairview.

A committee member noted a casual conversation with a member from Hopedale Country Club who had some reservations concerning the current operation.

A committee member had a positive experience regarding the operation of the Franklin Elks Club.

The two golf course proposals were reviewed.

New England Golf was rated highly advantageous in all categories.

Johnson Golf was also rated highly advantageous in all categories.

However, the committee closely reviewed the proposed operating budget which Johnson Golf submitted and compared it to historical expense information. It appears that Johnson has underestimated maintenance expense which would be detrimental to the condition of the golf course.

The committee also had reservations concerning the high turnover of Johnson Golf clients. Deb will call some previous clients and get references and information.

We will present our recommendations to Paul LeBeau.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25.

Submitted,  
Chryso Lawless