Yarmouth Golf Enterprise Committee Meeting Minutes September 22, 2025

Attending Board Members: Ellen Chapman, Ted Deckel, Jerry Niedermeier, Dick Donovan, Doreen Levitan.

Attending Golf Operations: Scott Gilmore, Dennis Hoye, Becky White

Attending from the Public: Frank Zappulla

The meeting was called to order at 5:08 PM.

Roll Call: Quorum present Chair: Ellen Chapman Vice Chair: Ted Deckel

Secretary: Jerry Niedermeier

Approval of Minutes from Last Minutes: Minutes of August 11 meeting approved unanimously.

Public Comments: None

Hearing about Suspension of Member: Director of Golf suspended a member from September 11-25, 2025, for violation of Golf policies pursuant to the Handbook. Member was informed of right to appear at GEC meeting to contest the suspension. Member failed to appear. The Committee voted unanimously to approve the suspension.

Open Meeting Law-Update: The chair distributed copies of the new regulations.

Requests for Refunds: The Committee unanimously approved a refund request.

Member Policies and Procedures Update for 2026 (possible vote): The Committee decided to defer a vote on the 2026 Policies and Procedures until the October meeting when Golf Operations will present a final draft.

Discussion of Membership Fees for 2026 (possible vote): Golf Operations proposed a 2026 fee increase averaging 3.2% over all member categories. The Committee requested information on the number of under 35 members and deferred a final decision until October.

Bass River Master Plan Update: Golf Operations presented 2 alternate plans for BR renovations. After extended discussion the Committee voted unanimously to proceed with Plan 2 which was distinguished by less sand and fescue.

Review of Financials/Capital Projects: Bayberry Cart Barn will undergo necessary repairs to paint, replace roof and install electrified doors. Request for 75K will be made at Fall town meeting. Total replacement of Barn remains under review. Financials continue to be strong.

Progress on Bayberry Cart Barn: See above.

Discussion of Memorial Clock: Golf often receives requests for trees, benches, etc. to remember deceased members. The Committee discussed purchasing memorial clocks for both courses with contributed funds and voted unanimously to pursue this option.

Update of RFP for Restaurants: Responses to RFP for 2026 are due on September 24, 2025.

Members' Concerns: The Committee discussed reducing the number of in-house tournaments to provide more tee times for members. In this regard consideration was given to scheduling some tournaments over a longer period and not on weekends. Further discussion to follow.

Meeting Adjourned 7:05 PM

Upcoming Meeting

Monday, October 6, 2025, 5 PM Bayberry Maintenance Building

Respectfully submitted, Jerry Niedermeier, Secretary