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Simsbury Farms Complex Committee  
Minutes: January 13, 2011 Meeting

Present: Antonio Braz, Dennis Fallon, David Dell, Ron Peterson, Chuck Ford, Tom West.

CP&RC: Harry Ryan. Town Staff: Gerry Toner. Guests: Gerry Wetjen, Wayne Westbrook. PATCH reporter, Roseanna Petronella

Minutes: The minutes of the November and December meetings were accepted.

Main Building Project: Committee members were extremely troubled with Schoenhardt's revised cost estimate for the proposed construction project. At the December 2, 2010 meeting the basic building costs were estimated at \$1,949m. These costs have now been re-estimated at \$2,734m. A 40% increase in costs with no apparent change in work scope. Two of the three alternate project costs remained the same however the pool deck replacement increased \$123k.

The Committee is in agreement that the main building project is vital to Simsbury Farms and must be pursued with all three alternates included (lower level, team rooms, pool deck). The cost issue, while frustrating, will not be finalized until the competitive bidding process takes place. The Committee recommends the capital request be revised to reflect Schoenhardt's latest estimate of \$3.6m.

Restaurant: Attilio's is closed for the season. It was a successful year with gross sales exceeding \$300k resulting in a 2% (\$6k +) payment to the Town.

Aquatic Fees: Revenues in 2010 set a new high (\$165k). Since the 2011 pool season might be impacted by the anticipated main building construction project, no fee increases will be proposed for the 2011 season. Motion to accept this recommendation passed unanimously.

Golf Course Fees: Declining golf rounds continue to be a major concern. In 2011 the following is recommended:

- Offer non resident's passes to play at resident rates (\$70 weekend, \$45 weekday)

- Introduce non resident senior weekday rates (\$15.50 nine holes, \$25 eighteen holes)
  - Offer non resident senior unlimited pass (\$1197)
  - Introduce two new nine hole clubs/leagues.
  - Increase cart rentals (\$1, \$.50)
  - Increase range balls (\$1, \$.50)
  - Outings – consider limited weekend events
  - No increase in 2011 golf fees and season passes.
- Motion to accept this recommendation passed unanimously.

T. West