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To: Robert Donchez, Council President

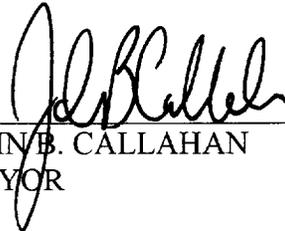
From: Mayor John B. Callahan

Subject: Proposed Fee Increase – 2010 Budget

10/29/2009

Attached is one fee increase for the 2010 budget. The fee increase is for golf cart use at the Bethlehem Municipal Golf Course. We are proposing a \$1.00 increase for 18 holes on the 18-hole course and \$.50 for 9 holes on the 9-hole course.

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding the proposed increase for the carts.



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TO: MAYOR CALLAHAN
FROM: RALPH CARP, Director of Parks & Public Property
DATE: OCTOBER 26, 2009
SUBJECT: PROPOSED GOLF CART FEE INCREASE

Effective 2010, I propose to increase the Golf Cart Fee of \$1.00 for 18 holes on the 18-hole course and \$.50 for 9-holes on the 9-hole course as indicated below:

Bethlehem Golf Club:

<u>Power Carts</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
18 Holes	\$14.00	\$15.00
9 Holes	\$ 8.00	\$ 8.50

It has been three years since the cart fee was raised. This adjustment is very minor, and offsets the increases in our cart operational cost. This cart fee increase will generate approximately \$22,000 in additional revenue for 2010.

I would like to note that:

- All the carts for the Monocacy (18-hole) course were equipped with GPS units for 2009 with no fee increase.
- There is only one other local course, (Whitetail) that has GSP on their carts and their cart fee is \$16.00. The other two local courses, Green Pond and Southmore, currently charge \$55 dollars for a round of golf with a cart when compared to our new proposed rate of \$45.
- Our golf course is recognized as the "Best Public Golf Course in the Lehigh Valley" three years on a row, which is proof that we offer a quality golf course at an exceptional value.

Thank you for your consideration of this recommendation.

Ralph Carp, Director
Parks & Public Property

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