



GOLF ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES
Tuesday, May 5th, 2015 ~ 8:00 am
City Hall Conference Room
4000 Main Street, Rowlett TX 75088

PRESENT: Brad Marshall, Barbara Holst, Michael Daffin, Jerry Daniels, Charles Alexander, Larry Glick, Brent Dorenbecker
ABSENT: Vincent Leal
VISITORS:
STAFF: Brian Funderburk, City Manager; Dru Bolen, General Manager of Waterview Golf Course; Shelly Monroe, Parks and Recreations Sr. Administrative Assistant; Jermel Stevenson, Director of Parks and Recreation; Rick Sheffield City Council Liaison

1. Larry Glick, Chair, called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m.
2. Quorum present. L. Glick appointed Charles Alexander as a voting member.
3. Discuss and consider approving the minutes from the April 7, 2015 meeting.
Barbara Holst made a motion to approve the April 7, 2015 minutes as amended. Brad Marshall seconded the motion. Approved 5 – 0.
4. Discuss the 15th Anniversary Celebration at Waterview and the City Council Golf Tour held May 1, 2015.
 - a. L. Glick opened the discussion expressing appreciation for City Council members, Mayor Gottel, Assistant City Manager, City Manager, Golf Board members, and staff who participated with the tour.
 - b. L. Glick requested a follow up in regards to steps being constructed for the two new tees. Brian Funderburk will speak with City Council on this project.
 - c. In addition, L. Glick noted the pump between hole #4 and #5 is gone, there is still no definition between the fairways and roughs throughout the course, shading to be considered for the patio, and the area by lake on the far side of the pavilion needs some form of decoration.
 - d. Question and comments made about the maximum capacity for the new pavilion. Dru Bolen shared the last two tournaments held 132 and 134 which was comfortable. Michael Daffin suggested checking with the fire marshal to obtain the maximum number of people.
 - e. D. Bolen explained their search for a chef and ideas to expand serving of meals.
 - f. L. Glick brought to attention the six trees along the pavilion that need to be considered for removal or relocated. D. Bolen explained these trees can now be removed. L. Glick with converse with D. Bolen on this task in the near future.
5. Potential need for aerification in the new pond at hole #10 – Brad Marshall
 - a. B. Marshall showed pictures of ponds at the golf course from previous years via a power point presentation. The pictures exhibited how the ponds looked when there



- was no circulation in the water and in addition he mentioned the smell and lack of visual appeal.
- b. In the future if there is no aerification for the water the new pond at hole #10 is susceptible of having similar issues as discussed. In addition, from a player's perspective it would be nice to have a visual cue that there is a lake positioned by the green on hole #10.
6. Discuss golf course conditions including an update on clean-up of area adjacent to the old #6 (#15) tee by pond.
- a. L. Glick followed up with a homeowner's complaint which is reoccurring. Her concern is the area behind her house along the pond by #15. This is due to the ducks laying eggs which attract snakes then snakes go in her yard. This issue was discussed in November 2014 and at that time there was some cleaning along the pond. It was established that the area of the pond behind the residence of 10605 Wentworth Drive is Waterview Golf Course's responsibility and the pond area to the side of her and the neighbor is Waterview HOA's responsibility. B. Marshall commented fishing is allowed as long as the individual has a fishing license.
 - b. L. Glick mentioned the new 3rd bunker on hole #9 is in horrible condition. He stated he informed Don Tennant.
 - c. D. Bolen shared under the #3 there is some irrigation with the possibility that one of those lines goes under someone's house.
 - d. B. Marshall reported hearing a stream of water in the large drain on the course near hole #7. There is an opening on the east side where the pressure can be heard. He spoke with D. Tennant about it. D. Tennant replied he is not finding any extra water on the course nor is the irrigation losing any water. B. Funderburk will notify city staff and request for this to be looked at.
 - e. B. Funderburk said the water restrictions have been lifted. The city is still negotiating with Dallas on the city's water contract.
7. Discuss condition and overall rating of courses played other than Waterview, with emphasis on favorable and unfavorable comparisons to Waterview.
- a. B. Holst reported she attended two Executive Women's Golf Association events. Both of the tournaments were held at Waterview and due to the favorable reviews the plans are to have it next year too as well as some women have already returned to Waterview to play again. She assisted with the Ladies Professional Golf Association tournament and shared some highlights.
 - b. D. Bolen played at Firewheel Golf Bridges Course, Indian Creek Golf in Carrollton, Gleneagles Country Club in Plano, and Old American Golf Club at The Colony. Indian Creek was in really good condition. Each time he returned to Waterview he shared observations with D. Tennant. Old American has no cart paths and bunkers are washed out.
 - c. Brent Dorenbecker played at Firewheel Golf Lakes Course describing the greens visually looking good but were really slow. He played at Waterview and the course played great.



- d. Jerry Daniels played at Firewheel Golf Park and agreed the greens were slow.
8. Discuss fall tree plantings according to the tree plan agreed to with American Golf
 - a. L. Glick reminded members no trees were planted last year but he would like more to be planted in the fall. He will bring a plan involving approximately 50 trees to the June meeting for members to discuss.
 - b. B. Marshall mentioned how much the trees have grown throughout the spring season.
 9. Discuss the location of future meetings and city website postings of the meetings.

A decision was made for the monthly meetings to be held at Waterview Golf Club starting with the June 2, 2015 meeting.
 10. Reminder of the GAB 3rd Annual Golf Tournament scheduled for June 7th.

The team selection was reviewed. Confirmation of the time being 1:00pm or 2:00pm will be made. Golfers will play from the three new tees.
 11. Public Announcements.
 - a. B. Funderburk stated beginning October 1, 2015 the term limits set by City Council will begin for any board seat re-appointments. The change is noted in the handbook and matches the Charter for City Council. There were some questions and B. Funderburk will request clarification from the City Secretary's Office for the answers then will provide answers to members.
 - b. Jermel Stevenson announced Wet Zone opens May 16th; Memorial Day and Touch-A-Truck event will be held May 25th at Pecan Grove.
 - c. D. Bolen shared he was approached by a media company in Rockwall about them creating a video to include the golf course which will include drone footage of the course. Waterview will have new course cards once the last of the present ones are used.
 - d. D. Bolen mentioned the possibility of merging front two tee boxes because this course has 5 and in general courses have 4. B. Funderburk responded that a discussion needs to occur with this board, City Manager, and City Council before any action can be made.
 - e. B. Holst questioned when a request will be made for the course to be re-rated. D. Bolen stated D. Tennant will be initiating the contact for the rating but it can only be based on the new bunkers and not the new tee boxes.
 12. No topics for future agenda items were requested by members for the next meeting.
 13. Meeting adjourned at 9:09 a.m.



Larry Glick, Chairman



Jermel Stevenson, Director of Parks & Recreation