



**GOLF ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES**  
**Tuesday, March 7, 2017 ~ 8:00 am**  
**Waterview Golf Club**  
**9509 Waterview Parkway, Rowlett TX 75088**

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**PRESENT:** Jonathan Andron, Michael Daffin, Jerry Daniels, Brent Dorenbecker, Larry Glick, Guy Hunsaker, Brad Marshall, Becky Sebastian, Charles Alexander

**ABSENT:**

**STAFF:** Scott Alford, Waterview Superintendent; Debby Bobbitt, City Council Liaison; Matthew Mays, Assistant General Manager of Waterview Golf Course; Shelly Monroe, Parks and Recreation Sr. Administrative Assistant; Angela Smith, Director of Parks and Recreation

1. Brad Marshall, Chair, called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.
2. Quorum present.
3. Consider action to approve February 7, 2017 minutes.
  - A. Larry Glick motioned to approve minutes as written.
  - B. Michael Daffin seconded the motion.
  - C. Approved 5 - 0.
4. Update from Waterview General Manager and Superintendent.
  - A. New siding and trim has been put on the Pump House by hole #4 and #5. Sand still needs to be added to fairway bunkers. The drainage on holes #6, #13, and #15 have been cleaned out and all appear to be draining properly now.
  - B. Green #1 - #18 deep tine aerification was done on February 28, 2017 and it will take several weeks for a full recovery.
  - C. Pre-emerge has been applied to the greens for weed control. More pre-emerge will be applied in about a week and repeated a month later. Spot spraying for weed control will continue to be done. In the next 6 weeks the golf course will be fertilized.
  - D. A slicer aerification will be done on the fairways soon.
  - E. Matthew Mays mentioned April is the popular month for tournaments; therefore they are preparing for this busy time.
  - F. M. Daffin inquired about fire ant poison being spread out. Scott Alford stated the entire course had recently been covered.

5. Audit Action Plan.
  - A. A Smith said S. Alford updated most of the audit topics in his maintenance report. In addition, contact was made with Dru Bolen and a good bid for the repairs on the Pump House has been obtained. Communication with Waterview is still going good.
  - B. A question was asked on the longevity of funds to replenish sand for the remainder of the year. S. Alford explained there should be enough budget for such purposes.
  
6. Discuss the future use of the \$33,000 allocated for FY2017 budget golf projects and make a recommendation to City Council.
  - A. A discussion regarding options for the allocated funds was held. One option is to request Additional funds to replace the retaining wall at hole #8. A second option is to add a putting practice green. A third option suggested by Waterview is to redo the greens on Par 3 putting greens.
  - B. B. Marshall mentioned Mayor Gottel attended a recent Waterview HOA meeting to request their assistance in replacing the retaining wall. B. Marshall is working on obtaining a firm price in regards to the retaining wall since the existing quote is from 2015. If this board recommends the wall, the contractor will not be able to begin the job for another 6-8 months which means the funds will not be used until 2018. A. Smith reported this is not an issue as long as there is a signed contract.
  - C. If option 2 is considered, a location for a putting green will need to be reviewed and discussed because some property belongs to Waterview HOA. Members agreed they want to focus on projects that will enhance the course for the players. L. Glick voiced he is willing to assist financially for the makings of a practice green. The positives for having a practice green were noted. In the end it is American Golf's decision to accept this project because the practice green would still need maintenance. Members briefly discussed the benefits of flipping the hole numbers since the putting green is no longer at the start of the course. M. Mays said at some point in the future, the putting greens will need to be redone. Grass from The Tribute is not a reasonable option due to the required labor and the grass being contaminated.
  - D. It was mentioned that the golf carts need to be updated, as well as having additional restrooms.
  - E. Discussion concluded with this agenda item to be placed on future agendas, obtain an updated quote for the retaining wall, and follow up with American Golf on their opinions of the options. After all information is collected a recommendation can be presented to City Council.
  
7. Follow up on dedication procedures.
 

Waterview had two examples of possible designs for the dedication sign to be placed on the Tunnel wall. Pictures will be emailed to board members and members can continue the conversation at the next meeting.
  
8. City Council joint meeting with Golf Advisory Board scheduled for May 16, 2017.
 

Golf Advisory Board (GAB) has the opportunity to meet with City Council on May 16, 2017. Preparations for this meeting will begin at the April meeting. The presentation will need to cover what has been done, the successes, and recommended specific projects with a priority order. B. Marshall mentioned there is no line item budget from City of Rowlett to spend on the golf course, even though in the past bond funds were able to be used. He would like for members to consider the board to request funds be set aside annually for project needs for the golf course.
  
9. Update from City Council liaison, Debby Bobbitt
  - A. D. Bobbitt recommended GAB members to play a more active role in interacting with the public in order to promote the Golf Advisory Board and Waterview Golf Course such as having a table at some of the city events.

- B. There are multiple projects occurring within the city. No knowledge of a partnership being made with Bayside and would like this to still be a goal.
10. Feedback on golf course conditions.
- A. Jerry Daniels played 2 weeks ago and the course is in good shape.
- B. B. Marshall noted the course is the most "weed free" than he has ever seen before in the past.
11. Discuss condition and overall rating of courses played other than Waterview, with emphasis on favorable and unfavorable comparisons to Waterview.
- No reports at this time.
12. Public input.
- Sherry Dickie, a Waterview resident who lives near a fairway and also an ambassador of the Chamber of Commerce addressed the board with a concern related to trying to reserve the pavilion for some events. She elaborated there is very few places in Rowlett to host events. She is looking for a location to host a baseball awards banquet for approximately 200 persons. She would like to help promote Waterview's enclosed pavilion. Board Chair explained the Golf Advisory Board doesn't have any authority over the rental of the facility although encourages it to be used for all types of events. S. Dickie inquired on how to move forward since she is having some issues with trying to schedule a rental. M. Mays provided his telephone number and said he will assist her.
13. Public Announcements.
- A. Waterview Golf Course has foot golf course equipment which is a game played with a soccer ball and the set is being donated to the Parks and Recreation Department. At present looking for a place to set it up.
- B. Summer Concert Series will begin in August; Kid Fish and the Cardboard Boat Regatta will be held in April; Easter Egg Hunt and Pup-A-Palooza will be this month; and Fireworks on Main will be held on July 4<sup>th</sup>.
- C. Community Investment Advisory Board is active. Anyone can go to city website to find information. There is a form that can be submitted on items to be considered by this board for considered funding.
14. Members request topics for future agenda items for the next meeting.
- Discuss rental of the enclosed pavilion.
15. Tour of Waterview facilities.
- Seven Members (Daffin, Glick, Marshall, Sebastian, Andron, Alexander, Daniels) toured the possible locations of the putting practice green: 1) behind hole #1 tee box; 2) behind hole #9 green next to cart path. Members also toured the maintenance shop.
16. Adjourned at 9:48 a.m.



Brad Marshall, Chairman



Angela Smith, Director Parks and Recreation