



GOLF ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES
Tuesday, December 5, 2017 ~ 8:00 am
Waterview Golf Club
9509 Waterview Parkway, Rowlett TX 75088

PRESENT: Larry Glick, Brad Marshall, Becky Sebastian, Jerry Daniels, Jonathan Andron, Michael Daffin, Brent Dorenbecker

ABSENT: Scott Lovett

STAFF: Scott Alford, Waterview Superintendent; David Sotelo, Waterview General Manager; Debby Bobbitt, City Council Liaison; 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 8:02 am.
2. Quorum present.
3. Consider action to approve November 7, 2017 minutes.
 - A. Jerry Daniels made a motion to approve the minutes as written.
 - B. Larry Glick seconded the motion.
 - C. Approved 5 - 0.
4. Golf Advisory Board budget requests.
 - A. Updates on the requests were provided:
 - a. Tunnel dedication signage \$1,500: The cost of the sign will depend on the number of words for the sign. Brent Dorenbecker made a motion to accept the verbiage for the tunnel sign. Jerry Daniels seconded the motion. Approved 5 to 0. The signage will be placed on the tunnel side headed to hole #1.
 - b. Fountain replacement \$8,000: S. Alford received a quote from Airmax on the EcoSeries in the amount of \$2,488 installed. A 3-year warranty is included.
 - c. Improvement to new steps by tee box \$3,500: Ideas on how to do this were discussed during the meeting with American Golf held on November 30, 2017.
 - B. The other projects listed for consideration are an audit for \$4,500 and improvement of orphan areas such as behind lakes, not maintained by course other than rough cuts, not in golf play for \$12,500. The orphan areas were briefly discussed during the meeting held with American Golf on November 30, 2017 which resulted in Fleetwood, a contracting company, will look at these areas as to what areas need the most care and what areas can or should be irrigated.
5. Update on the meeting with American Golf and Waterview.
 - A. A meeting was held with Dan Cortese, American Golf, Waterview staff, Angela Smith and Brad Marshall on November 30, 2017. All parties looked at the steps and discussed improvement options.

- B. Proof of concept renovating the last fairway bunker on hole #6 and the bunker on greenside on hole #6 was positively received by American Golf and Waterview. American Golf will arrange to have a business look at the work area to obtain a quote before committing to being able to fund this project.
 - C. Looked at the steps but addressed this during agenda item #2.
6. Updates from Waterview General Manager and Superintendent.
- A. Scott Alford reports a shutdown of the front nine holes will be scheduled Monday through Thursday to work on greens. David Sotelo further explained this process.
 - B. Winter projects still in progress are paint and repair of water coolers, adding sand to fairway bunkers, trimming trees, as well as work on fairway and rough drains, and build a bridge from #2 green to #3 tee box on Par 3 course.
 - C. D. Sotelo reported starting in January the course will be closed one day a week for maintenance work and feels this is a huge benefit to take care of the golf course properly. In peak season, there will be some changes such as maybe close for a half day. Starting December 1, 2017 rates for the Player's Club were increased.
7. Feedback on golf course conditions.
- A. Jerry Daniels stated the back nine is showing improvements.
 - B. Brent Dorenbecker played golf with 2 friends at Waterview and they never got to the back nine due to dealing with frustrations on the front nine. The time spent on the course was too long which was caused by the shape of the greens. He acknowledged there are good improvements being made with the fairways but the issue is the shape of the greens.
 - C. Becky Sebastian reported how a friend had an unpleasant experience and from their play experience they do not care to return to Waterview.
8. Discuss condition and overall rating of courses played other than Waterview, with emphasis on favorable and unfavorable comparisons to Waterview.
- A. Larry Glick made note of Waterview Golf Course's rating in the November 2017 edition of Avid Golfer. Briefly discussed the Best of Public Golf list and how Waterview is considered in comparison to other municipal courses in the Metroplex.
 - B. Brent Dorenbecker played at public and private courses. Public courses played were Indian Creek in Carrollton is a municipal facility and described the course as being in incredible condition; Pecan Hollow Golf Course in Plano is a daily fee facility in which it appears to be a well maintained golf course although it's biggest challenge is over promising and under delivering as far as tee times; Buffalo Creek Golf Course in Rockwall is a daily fee facility and the course is in good shape, layout is good, greens are in good shape but there are some issues with the bunkers. Prestonwood Country Club has bent grass and it is in good shape. Rock Creek Golf Course in Hugo, Oklahoma near the Texas border is a high end daily fee facility that has bent grass and is in exceptional shape with a decent layout including a couple challenging holes. Rock Creek just put in a new practice course and it is mini-Verde. Played at Trinity Golf Course describing the grooming and feel of the course as being great including the practice range. While playing at Canyon Creek Country Club, a high-end course, he went into the bunkers and bunkers were fluffy as well as easy to get out.
9. Update from City Council liaison, Debby Bobbitt
Several developments and projects are occurring in Rowlett right now.

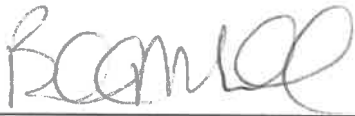
10. Public input and questions.
No public input or questions.

11. Public Announcements

Angela Smith announced the Community Investment Advisory Board meeting was held last night and the option to redo the greens and retaining walls at holes #3, #8, #18 did make the list that will be presented to City Council on December 12, 2017. The greens are requested to be in the first year of the funding of the 2018 elected bond. Voting will occur in May 2018 which means possibly being able to start the project in August 2018. Inquiries made about the type of grass recommended for the greens and information CIAB had to make their decision for Bermuda grass since Golf Advisory Board did was not involved with the presentation to CIAB nor have an opportunity to make a recommendation.

12. Members may request topics for future agenda items for the next meeting.
No topics requested.

13. Adjourned at 9:04 am.



Brad Marshall, Chairman



Angela Smith, Director Parks and Recreation