



GOLF ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES
Tuesday, January 9, 2018 ~ 8:00 am
Waterview Golf Club
9509 Waterview Parkway, Rowlett TX 75088

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

ABSENT:

VISITORS: Ron Matthews with Eagle View, Inc in Houston, Tx

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 8:00am.
2. Quorum present.
3. Consider action to approve December 5, 2017 minutes and December 12, 2017 minutes.
 - A. Jerry Daniels made a motion to approve December 5, 2017 minutes as written. Brent Dorenbecker seconded the motion. Approved 5 - 0.
 - B. Jerry Daniels made a motion to approve December 12, 2017 minutes as written. Brent Dorenbecker seconded the motion. Approved 5 - 0.
4. Update on the Golf Advisory Board budget requests.
 - A. Tunnel dedication signage \$1,500: The order request for the sign was made and the cost is \$1220.62. The signage will be placed on the tunnel side headed to hole #1. The project should be available to be done in approximately 2 weeks.
 - B. Fountain replacement \$8,000: Scott Alford received a quote from Airmax on the EcoSeries in the amount of \$2,488 installed. The fountain was ordered and the cost will actually be \$2,380.00
 - C. Improvement to new steps by tee box \$3,500: Ideas are still being discussed.
 - D. The improvement of orphan areas such as behind lakes, not maintained by course other than rough cuts, not in golf play for \$12,500. This will be left last so we know how much funds are left which will better determine what can be improved. The audit will not be included in this \$30,000 expenses.
5. Further discuss and make recommendation regarding CIP 2018 bond funding request for Waterview Golf Course. (Becky Sebastian and Debby Bobbitt entered meeting).
 - A. Angela Smith reported contact was made with Fleetwood to speak with them further on their quotes for Bermuda Grass and Bent Grass. Eagle View Golf, Inc. was also contacted and this company obtained a soil sample to determine the depth of ground that would need to be

- replaced for new grass. A. Smith followed up with other golf course superintendents at three other local golf courses to discuss their greens. A recommendation is needed from this board to bring back to City Council since they will be discussing CIAB's 2018 bond project lists next week.
- B. Ron Matthews with Eagle View Golf, Inc. presented information on his findings of Waterview's greens. Recommendation is to place a camera at every center line of each green to check the drainage along with pulling a couple more samples throughout the course. With the sample obtained, 5 inches needs to be removed before placing new grass which goes back to the original green perimeters, bring them together and then seed new grass. The pros and cons of both Bermuda grass and Bentgrass were presented. The number of rounds played on the course needs to be considered when determining the type of grass. R. Matthews mentioned with the number of rounds at Waterview it will be challenging to maintain the Bentgrass. He continued with there are other things to consider when choosing the type of grass such as 1) What is the course to be known recognized for, 2) Trained eyes are needed to oversee Bentgrass, and 3) The amount of funds available to maintain the type of grass chosen.
 - C. Members reviewed the proposals, made inquiries and discussed the pros and cons about Bent grass and Bermuda grass. Majority of members expressed that Waterview had Bentgrass for 18 years and it was able to be maintained, therefore they feel Bentgrass is doable. All acknowledge a maintenance plan needs to be in place to obtain the best results. The best time to replace grass is from September 15th to October 1st. The start to finish timeframe is approximately 6 weeks.
 - D. Larry Glick Larry made a motion to recommend 007 Bent Grass for the greens. Brent Dorenbecker seconded the motion. Approved 4 to 1.
6. Updates from Waterview General Manager and Superintendent.
 - A. Scott Alford stated the course will begin closing on Wednesdays all day starting January 17th through March 14th. After March 14th the course will be closed ½ day once a week and open at noon. David Sotelo provided a detailed explanation.
 - B. Scott Alford reported on the general maintenance of the course such as trees, edges, fertilize, repair irrigation heads, etc.
 - C. Waterview received approval by American Golf to work on the two bunkers, therefore the process of obtaining quotes for the job has begun.
 - D. David Sotelo said Waterview spent the month of December using the nursery and now staff is focusing on the greens.
 7. Feedback on golf course conditions.
 - A. Michael Daffin stated on the front #9 the condition of the greens is poor. On hole #11 Par 5, the Billy Bunker was put in not too long ago and pieces were found out on the course which means the surface of the bunker is being torn up. He continued to say once the layer is busted then it's done. Ron Matthews shared his experience with Billy Bunkers and stated his recommendation.
 - B. Brent Dorenbecker came out to play on the practice greens and the ball rolled well.
 8. Discuss condition and overall rating of courses played other than Waterview, with emphasis on favorable and unfavorable comparisons to Waterview.

Brent Dorenbecker played at Canyon Creek but it is a private club. This course has Bermuda grass greens although this is not his preference. Recently the course was closed for nine days.

- 9. Update from City Council liaison, Debby Bobbitt.
 - A. City closed on Monday, January 15, 2018 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. holiday.
 - B. CPR class will be held on January 20, 2018 and the fee is \$30.
 - C. Today is the last day to sign up for the Citizen's Police Academy.
 - D. Woodside Road will be closed due to construction work.
 - E. Downtown main street and those projects started January 2, 2018.

- 10. Public input and questions.
None

- 11. Public Announcements.
 - A. Angela Smith announced the Little Sweetheart Dance will be held January 27, 2018 at the Rowlett Community Centre.
 - B. Angela Smith shared that City Council will discuss the proposed slate of 2018 Bond Election projects as recommended by Community Investment Advisory Board on January 18, 2018 and members are welcome to attend.

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

- 13. Adjourned at 9:26am.



Brad Marshall, Chairman



Angela Smith, Director Parks and Recreation