



**GOLF ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES**  
**Tuesday, February 4, 2020 ~ 8:00 am**  
**Waterview Golf Club**  
**9509 Waterview Parkway, Rowlett TX 75089**

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**PRESENT:** George Harris, Brad Marshall, Brent Dorenbecker, Jeff Feyerherm, Michael Daffin, Jonathan Andron, Becky Sebastian, Larry Glick, Barbara Holst

**ABSENT:** Jerry Daniels

**VISITORS:**

**STAFF:** Angela Smith, Director of Parks and Recreation; Trey Ganius, Waterview General Manager; Aaron Cleaver, Parks and Recreation Business Manager; Andy Bailey, Waterview Superintendent; King Simmons, American Golf Regional Manager; Shelly Monroe, Parks & Recreation Sr. Administrative Assistant; Matt Grubisich, City Council Liaison

1. Brent Dorenbecker, Chair, called the meeting to order at 8:00am.
2. Quorum present. Jeff Feyerherm appointed as a voting member.
3. Consider action to approve January 7, 2020 minutes.
  - A. Brad Marshall made a motion to approve the minutes as written.
  - B. Jeff Feyerherm seconded the motion.
  - C. Approved 7 - 0.
4. Citizens' Input.

No input.
5. Update from Waterview General Manager and Superintendent to include an update on the Ambassador Program.
  - A. Trey Ganius provided information on various programs such as 1) Waterview Senior Golf Association; 2) Forget About It Friday Tournament which will run every Friday March through October; 3) Saturday Slashers Tournament which are held every Saturday at 1pm; and 4) Tuesday Sundowners Tournament to be held every Tuesday from March 10<sup>th</sup> through October. The website appears to be up-to-date with all the information.
  - B. Andy Bailey reports staff have been trimming trees. Tarps are now being used to help protect the greens and he spoke about weather conditions. Staff is still working on some of the details on the course. There have been a few irrigation leaks and the two main line leaks were fixed fairly quickly. Brad Marshall asked about valves and A. Bailey provided a response of how they are tracking and repairing them. They are aware of the slow drainage at hole #6.

6. Update from City Council liaison, Matt Grubisich.  
Matt Grubisich vocalized this is a census year and there is a 2020 census committee. This will be the first time a person will be able to submit information online.
7. Update from the staff liaison, Angela Smith.
  - A. Sandy Queen is contracting with the City of Rowlett as a consultant for the Maintenance Master Plan process and the Tree Plan. He will be coordinating with Todd Clark of CE Golf Design on the Tree Plan. Sandy Queen will be present at the April meeting and will share more details about the process and plans.
  - B. The proposed Exhibit F from American Golf has been received by the City. Exhibit F and Maintenance Master Plan work “hand in hand”, although they are separate documents. Due to this, Sandy Queen will discuss further at the April meeting. Members will see the proposed updates in April then have a month to review it.
  - C. A previously requested agenda topic to discuss additional cart paths is a good future topic, but at this time the focus needs to be on the existing cart path repairs. City staff is conversing with American Golf regarding the cart path repairs, although there isn’t an update to provide today. Cart path repairs is part of the contract. King Simmons announced funds are allotted for the major areas and they are hopeful to have these repairs completed by time of the Grand Re-Opening. Larry Glick commented that if some trees are going to be replaced that now is time for planting. Larry Glick plans to go on the course within the next 2 weeks to identify possible tree replacements. Angela Smith uttered the city is good with the tree replacements as long as Waterview staff approves since Larry Glick is making a personal donation for the trees. King Simmons concurred that as long as things are worked out with the city and superintendent, he welcomes this donation.
  - D. A previously requested agenda topic regarding Public Works staff to speak on the water supply during a meeting isn’t feasible at this time. The pump in Lake Ray Hubbard hasn’t been working properly for a month and a new meter has been ordered which will take 6 to 8 weeks for arrival. City staff visit the pump site daily and coordinate with Waterview Golf staff. Andy Bailey conveyed he is aware when there is a different source of water and has contact information for Public Work staff. Brad Marshall provided some historical data about the lake. Angela Smith reiterated there is a system in place.
8. Follow up on making a recommendation for signage on the golf course.
  - A. Brad Marshall reported the poor weather conditions haven’t allowed for much painting to be done. The ideal place to paint would have been in the pavilion, but this was not able to be arranged. Brad Marshall inquired about an estimated cost for the original markers. King Simmons replied these signs run \$1,200 to \$1,500 each. Brad Marshall inquired about the number of signs needing to be moved or releveled. Andy Bailey answered he would need to assess the signs before providing accurate information. Brad Marshall presented pictures of various markers to show the discoloration and marker after repainted.
  - B. These signs are of heavy weight and the ones that have been removed show some chip damage. The signs not needing to be moved could be painted in place, but the weather will need to be good. Brad Marshall suggested a proposed target date to of May 15<sup>th</sup> to be done with sign renovations for the Grand Re-Opening. Brad Marshall purchased paint which was approximately \$300. Brent Dorenbecker conveyed there

should be a way for all to work together because the repainting of the markers looks great and is a very cost-effective process. In addition, this seems to be an amazing solution and impressed with the results. There are a number of signs pulled away from the concrete so they will be easier to pull them out. Becky Sebastian commented this repainted marker looks fantastic but the slash under "Rowlett" is supposed to be burgundy and not red. Angela Smith said she will get the exact color numbers for an accurate color, and in addition will need to speak with Waterview staff about their involvement with the moving or pulling out of the markers before moving any progression of this proposed project. Larry Glick asked if there is an easier way to get the tools and paint. Angela Smith said one of the biggest issues identified is the pulling signs out of the ground and resetting because labor capabilities has to be worked out.

- C. Jeff Feyerherm supports B. Dorenbecker's statement about something should be able to be worked out due to the cost saving solution, although noted golf board members aren't expert painters. Members discussed how it needs to be done. Various board members will be interested in helping.
9. Discuss tournament ideas.
- A. Angela Smith was unable to find the information sheet on "how to set up a tournament" that she mentioned at the last meeting, although an email link with similar information was sent to board members last week. Angela Smith stated Waterview Golf provided a brochure on their tournament fees and this was given to members. This is an opportunity to help promote for tournaments to be scheduled at Waterview Golf Club.
  - B. Barbara Holst said her thought for this topic is identifying different groups to contact about scheduling tournaments at Waterview and how can this board promote this course. It's important to reach the individuals who put tournaments together. She suggests that members need to bring awareness of the changes at the course to get folks back to try the course. Brad Marshall indicated the High School Regional Qualifier was held at Waterview at one time and Jordan Spieth attended. Trey Ganius responded with the High School District Championship is scheduled at Waterview this year.
  - C. There is a cost if the city wants to host a tournament, but not sure what the cost is at this time.
  - D. Becky Sebastian mentioned the Rotary Club is holding a tournament on May 15<sup>th</sup> at Waterview, Life Message's tournament is scheduled for October at Woodbridge and Rowlett Chamber of Commerce's Golf Classic will be at Waterview September 24, 2020.
10. Plan for the Grand Re-Opening.
- The confirmed date for the Grand Re-Opening is May 16, 2020. Trey Ganius said he has begun contacting persons who they would like to attend. Avid Golfer plans to be present for this event.
11. Feedback on golf course conditions from board members.
- A. Jeff Feyerherm said some golfers reported that by hole #16 the greens were so wet that two balls were lost. Some of the contours have smoothed out and others are developing.

- B. Brad Marshall stated the greens are looking in phenomenal shape. On the back left of hole #6 there is now a dramatic contour. At the time of the soft opening, the greens had a bumpy appearance but now it is smoothing out .
12. Discuss condition and overall rating of courses played other than Waterview, with emphasis on favorable and unfavorable comparisons to Waterview.
- A. Jeff Feyerherm played at White Bluff Resort in Whitney, Texas. This course had greens replaced almost a year ago and the greens were described as hard. He played in a golf tournament at Woodbridge Golf and the course was very wet. Woodbridge has flooding issues and gratitude was expressed on Waterview's topography compared to Woodbridge.
- B. Brent Dorenbecker played at a course and spoke with some golfers who are willing to play at Waterview Golf course.
- C. Barbara Host played at Buffalo Creek and they are in process of renovating their bunkers and have completed some bunkers. The course has Billy bunkers and the sand was fluffy.
13. Public Announcements. Members of the Board or Commission and/or staff may make announcements of local civic events. No member of the board or commission may discuss nor take any action with regard to the announcements.  
No public announcements
14. Members of the Board or Commission may request topics for future agenda meetings. No member of the board or commission may discuss any of the requested subjects until such matter has been properly placed on a posted agenda.  
No future topics requested.
15. Adjourned at 9:20 am.



Brad Marshall, Vice Chair



Angela Smith, Director Parks and Recreation