



GOLF ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES
Tuesday, March 3, 2020 ~ 8:00 am
Waterview Golf Club
9509 Waterview Parkway, Rowlett TX 75089

PRESENT: George Harris, Brad Marshall, Jeff Feyerherm, Michael Daffin, Larry Glick, Barbara Holst, Jerry Daniels

ABSENT: Jonathan Andron, Becky Sebastian, Brent Dorenbecker

VISITORS:

STAFF: Angela Smith, Director of Parks and Recreation; Trey Ganious, 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. Brad Marshall, Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 8:00am.
2. Quorum present. Jeff Feyerherm appointed as a voting member.
3. Consider action to approve February 4, 2020 minutes.
 - A. Barbara Holst made a motion to approve the minutes as written.
 - B. Michael Daffin 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 Ganious stated they are preparing for daylight savings time change, as well as upcoming tournaments and leagues. The last tournament had 21 players which is a good sign of what is to come with future ones.
 - B. Andy Bailey reports staff is getting ready for the Spring season.
 - C. Brad Marshall brought attention to a large wet area at hole #7. Andy Bailey replied this area is where the old drainage ends and there is no pipe in the basin. The pipe appears to be about 200 ft short of connecting to the new drainage, therefore this is a poor drainage area.
 - D. Larry Glick inquired about charity tournament fees and about the new guidelines of not being able to bring outside vendor food during a tournament. Trey Ganious responded that he has contacted multiple golf courses in the area to obtain

information on their tournament fees and although Waterview Golf Club's fees have increased, the fee is still under the other course's tournament fees. Bringing outside food hurts Waterview's revenue.

6. Update from City Council liaison, Matt Grubisich.
Matt Grubisich had nothing to report today.
7. 2020 Census.
Barbara Holst shared information on the 2020 Census and the Complete Count Committee. The importance of providing information for the census was emphasized. Angela Smith asked members to help share this information with their social circles and on social media.
8. Further discuss signage renovation for the golf course.
 - A. Brad Marshall reported the sign at hole #7 was repainted. Before and after photos of the sign were shown to members. A tile box number was placed over the original hole number before the holes were switched. The original number was painted too so in the event the course holes are ever switched back the tile can be removed, and the hole sign can still be used. A picture showing how the granite soaks up water was shown.
 - B. The Waterview Golf Club entrance sign needed repainting, and this is now complete after 6 hours of work. Brad Marshall explained the painting process and the amount of work is involved.
 - C. The sign at hole #10 is leaning forward and located way off the path. Due to all the water exposure of this one, it will need a lot of work. This particular sign will need to be extracted from the ground. The sign at hole #14 is likely the best sign to paint next. The sign at hole #15 needs to be straightened. All the rest of the signs are leaning. The signs appear to be set in clay and not cement. The sign at hole #18 is broken. Angela Smith will speak with American Golf on three components: 1) Hole #1 sign is done and needs to be put in place; 2) Hole #10 needs to be pulled out of the ground in order to be painted; 3) Hole #18 sign is broken and needs replacement. Angela Smith will send an email to board members with an update.
 - D. Brad Marshall, his wife Cathy Marshall and Brent Dorenbecker will work with painting the signs. At this time no other members offered to assist with this project. King Simmons gave approval for the painting of the signs that are standing.
9. Missing hole monument sign replacement.
 - A. Larry Glick inquired about the missing sign at hole #18. Brad Marshall mentioned a new sign will cost approximately \$3500. Larry Glick asked if there are any funds to purchase a replacement sign. Angela Smith stated there are no funds at this time, although the board could make a recommendation and she can bring it to City Council.
 - B. Larry Glick made a motion to recommend purchasing a replacement sign and etching at hole #18.
Jerry Daniels seconded the motion.
Approved 7 to 0.

10. Further discuss tournament ideas.

The discussion on this topic is complete although with no resolution.

11. Grand Re-Opening discussion.

Trey Ganius provided an update. The time for this event will be from 8:00am to 10:00am. This reopening will consist of a ceremony of guest speakers including Rowlett Mayor and a representative from American Golf. Waterview and American Golf will make the decision if there will be a ribbon cutting and breakfast. Trey Ganius would like an expected count of golfers for this opening, if possible. King Simmons and T. Ganius will work on a draft agenda and have for the April meeting.

12. Feedback on golf course conditions from board members.

- A. Jeff Feyerherm played a tournament this past weekend which flowed smoothly. The course is in good shape and the greens are starting to dry out. He thanked Andy Bailey on how the fairways were mowed before the fairways went dormant. J Feyerherm voiced unhappiness with how some golfers are treating the new bunkers and explained his observations.
- B. Brad Marshall recently observed about 70% of golfers going off the cart paths and appearing to not respect all the work done on the course. Michael Daffin added there were over 200 golfers this past Sunday and there were only 2 ambassadors, whereas Waterview used to have 6, and there is no way to completely monitor all the players. Jeff Feyerherm and Michael Daffin suggested roping paths to help reduce golfers romping all over the greens. Brad Marshall reiterated the suggestion of golf carts with fencing, although American Golf has rejected the idea of these type of carts.
- C. Larry Glick inquired about the cart path repairs. King Simmons stated the bids went out and T. Ganius said a contractor has been chosen but they are waiting on the vendor to be approved. Once approved then the work will begin, hopefully at the end of March.
- D. Jerry Daniels has been working with T. Ganius on a Waterview Senior Golf Association. Brent Dorenbecker is helping with a website.

13. Discuss condition and overall rating of courses played other than Waterview, with emphasis on favorable and unfavorable comparisons to Waterview.

Jeff Feyerherm played at Firewheel Old Course and the fairways were hard, but the greens were nice. He played at Hidden Creek Golf Course. He played at Buffalo Creek and made a hole-in-one at #17 but the course is about the same and they are almost finished with their bunker renovations with Better Billy Bunkers.

14. 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.

- A. Boards/Commissions Volunteer Banquet will be held on April 9th. Invitations have been sent and members were encouraged to RSVP.
- B. This board now has a promotional banner that can be used for any booth tables at events and at the Grand Re-Opening.
- C. Members were reminded about filling out the AARP Age-Friendly Network survey and were asked to help get the word to others about the survey.

15. 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.

Larry Glick asked if there are materials to review prior to the next meeting regarding Sandy Queen's work on the maintenance master plan. Angela Smith will follow up with Sandy Queen.

16. Adjourned at 9:02am.



Brad Marshall, Chairman

Angela Smith, Director Parks and Recreation