



**GOLF ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES**  
**Tuesday, August 3, 2021 ~ 8:00 a.m.**  
**Waterview Golf Course**  
**9509 Waterview Pkwy, Rowlett TX 75089**

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**PRESENT:** Chair Brent Dorenbecker; Vice-Chair Larry Glick; Members Michael Daffin, Barbara Holst.  
Alternates: Carter Holston, Becky Sebastian, Jonathan Andron

**ABSENT:** Brad Marshall

**VISITORS:** Sandy Queen

**STAFF:** Angela Smith, Director of Parks and Recreation; Trey Gainous, Waterview General Manager;  
Shelly Monroe, Parks & Recreation Sr. Administrative Assistant; Andy Bailey, Waterview  
Superintendent; Matt Grubisich, City Council Liaison

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1. The Chair, Brent Dorenbecker, called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. Quorum Present. Carter Holston appointed as a regular member.
2. Consider action to approve July 6, 2021.
  - A. Barbara Holst made a motion to approve the minutes as written.
  - B. Carter Holston seconded the motion.
  - C. Approved 5 - 0.
3. Citizens Input  
No citizen input.
4. Operational and maintenance updates with Waterview staff to include update on cart path repairs, cart replacements.
  - A. Cart replacements - The delivery time is now delayed until January 2022 and the reason involves the lithium batteries. Waterview continues to use 30 rental carts, and this should work out until the new carts arrive.
  - B. Cart path repairs - Someone drove through part of the forming so now it is busted. The forming needs to be repaired then poured by Lawn & Landscape in order for it to be inspected. Lawn & Landscape's equipment is still on the course. The last section is to be done is by hole #3 on the front nine. There will be some sections by hole #1 on the next phase.
  - C. Trey Gainous stated July was a good month with the increase of number of rounds even though the weather is hot. The leagues are averaging 36 players on Tuesdays and 54 on Fridays. Saturdays are going well too. With the ATMOS project occurring, nine-hole events will be offered during the month of August. There were 3 events this past month. The Karaoke night will be held again August 14, 2021.
  - D. Andy Bailey reported an update on the preparations for all the pipes that run into the easement to get ready for the ATMOS project work. These preparations will make it easier for any repairs or adjustments if any of the lines are damaged. The next biggest feat is

moving irrigation boxes by hole #12 and #14 and presently waiting on the parts. Staff will build a new nursery green, and the location was briefly discussed. ATMOS is paying for the driving range repairs. A contractor being on site will help address issues immediately. Course is in good shape but last week was tough because of the heat and water levels. Spoke a little about the care of the greens and what to expect, even in the winter. Staff may need to treat back nine and front nine differently during the winter due to play right now; we have some of the healthiest turf right now. Briefly talked about the sodding situation.

5. Update from Matt Grubisich, City Council liaison.

Matt Grubisich expressed he doesn't have any updates. An inquiry made about possible bonds in May. Matt Grubisich says anything is possible, but at this time there is no definitive decision except that it will not be on the upcoming November ballot.

6. Continue discussion on ways to promote Waterview Golf Course.

- A. Trey Gainous began sending promotional flyers to S. Monroe who has sent them to board members to share with their circle of influences, as well as started to post in the Friday@5 and on Parks & Recreation Facebook page. Trey Gainous says Brenda is now on a few different Facebook (FB) pages to promote events and now has access to the Waterview Golf Course FB page.
- B. A. Smith reported she made an inquiry to city staff about the Waterview Golf Club signage missing and they are looking into being able to replace the sign.
- C. Larry Glick stated he serves on Economic Development Advisory Board and they had a presentation on Sapphire Bay. Three hotels and multiple named restaurants to be included along with features such as a water fountain and light show. He plugged golf course information, because he would like to make a connection for promotions of the course as this project continues to develop.

7. Update on ATMOS projects related to the golf course.

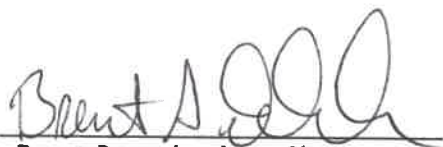
- A. Angela Smith reported an update was emailed to board members on July 22, 2021 in that the project was slated to begin August 1, 2021 and take approximately 30 days. ATMOS is assuring they will take precautions to work around trees, but some will need to be removed. As mentioned previously, the recovery from this project will be tedious and take some extensive time and work. Driver Pipeline will be on site this week along with the contractor. At some point Community Park will be closed for 24 hours as some cutting will be done across St. Andrews Lane which helps to reduce the project by 2 weeks for Waterview Golf Course. American Golf & ATMOS are working on a cost analysis and this will allow for irrigation upgrades. If there are project changes or specific updates this will be sent to board members.
- B. Rowlett has contracted with Sandy Queen of Profitable Golf to help protect this asset. ATMOS is estimating removal of 28 trees and will mitigate the price with the City of Rowlett. The money for this will be placed in the golf fund for tree replacement. There is a tight schedule and built-in late fees if the project isn't kept within the time frame. Larry Glick expressed his concern about the number of trees being removed and the compensation for these trees because of the length of time these trees have existed, as well as how the trees come into play for the holes. Larry Glick explained how in the past ATMOS came out and gave approval as to where the trees could be placed. Angela Smith stated originally ATMOS wanted to remove 56 trees, so negotiations have taken place. There will be an ATMOS staff on site, although there will not be a city staff person on site each day. Photos have already been taken of every aspect along the easement before this project begins.
- C. Sandy Queen explained what he is doing in the aspect of this project in relation to the trees. There is a preconstruction meeting scheduled for tomorrow. The right of way needs to be


fully identified before construction begins. Board members will go out onto the course at the end of the meeting to review identifiers for this project.

8. Staff Liaison update. (Michael Daffin exited)
  - A. Exhibit F - no updates.
  - B. Potential projects - no updates. The funds will remain in the golf fund account until it is time to start looking at other projects after the first five identified projects get complete. There is approximately \$130,000 which includes a designated amount for the tree replacement for the ATMOS tree removal.
9. Take home assignment - redesign Waterview for the future with unlimited budget.

Larry Glick handed out printed versions of course layout and asked members to draw and/or write in any components to enhance this course if there was no budget limit. They were asked to bring the ideas to the next meeting.
10. Feedback on golf course conditions from board members. (Matt exited)
  - A. Brent Dorenbecker said the one thing he would love to return is cups cut to return on the practice greens and he would love to see the greens be a little faster, but the course is looking really good.
  - B. Barbara Holst mentioned the course is in good condition, loves the definition between the fairway and greens, and concurs with B. Dorenbecker on the cups cut on practice greens.
11. Discuss condition and overall rating on courses played other than Waterview, with emphasis on favorable and unfavorable comparisons to Waterview.
  - A. Brent Dorenbecker played at Bridlewood Golf Club in Flower Mound which is a public club, and the greens were great. They have bunker solution liners. He played at Woodbridge Golf Club and reported they are eliminating several bunkers and removing approximately 80-100 trees.
  - B. Trey Gainous mentioned that players who look to play challenging courses are reducing, and the trend is more about the pace of play.
12. Public Announcements.
  - A. Summer Concert Series begins this Friday. Band starts at 7:30pm
  - B. Budget work sessions scheduled.
13. Member of the Board or Commission may request topics for future agenda meetings.

No topics requested.
14. Adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

  
Brent Dorenbecker, Chair

  
Angela Smith, Deputy City Manager