



GOLF ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

Tuesday, June 4th, 2013 ~ 8:00 am
Waterview Golf Course Club House
9509 Waterview Parkway, Rowlett TX 75089

PRESENT: Brad Marshall, Barbara Holst, Geoffrey Nichols, Jerry Daniels, Charles Alexander, Brent Dorenbecker, Vincent Leal

ABSENT: Larry Glick

STAFF: Jermel Stevenson, Director of Parks and Recreation; Don Tennant, Waterview Superintendent; Shelly Monroe, Parks and Recreations Sr. Administrative Assistant

1. The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m.
2. Quorum is present. Brent D. was appointed as a voting member in place of Larry G.
3. Brad M. made a motion to approve the May 7, 2013 minutes and Brent D. seconded the motion. Approved 5 – 0.
4. Discuss golf conditions.
 - a. Brad M. expressed the greens look incredible and fairways are in the best condition they have been in a long time. Fungus circles appear to be dying.
 - b. Don T. said he is working within budget with fertilizers in place, need to work on 11th tee, and working on aerification. The nursery is doing well. The weather has been cooperating so this has been helpful.
 - c. Vincent L. mentioned that the wall by 18th tee needs something done to help it's appearance. Look at possibly painting as a temporary fix until a new one can be built.
 - d. Don T. asked if the expense on the project of a new wall had been obtained. Brad M. replied that Dan H. has the quotes. Brad M. reiterated Vincent's request that the wall should be re-stained until something further can be done.
 - e. Jerry D. stated he has heard many positive comments about the course lately.
 - f. Brad M. shared a story about a restaurant owner, Lewis Travino, who is apparently an avid golfer. Mr. Travino commented to him that Waterview has the best greens in the metro-plex and overall it is fun to play since the improvements have been made. This golfer told him Waterview is definitely moving in the right direction therefore had no suggestions for improvements.
5. Discuss condition and overall rating of courses played other than Waterview, with emphasis on favorable and unfavorable comparisons to Waterview
 - a. Barbara H. played at Pecan Hollow in Plano and thought it was in good condition but the greens were a little hard to play. She played at both courses located at Prestonwood Country Club in Plano and the hills course she really enjoyed and felt the greens were a lot like the



ones at Waterview. She played at Webb Hill Golf Course which the greens weren't bad and the fairways were better than last year.

- b. Brent D. played at Prestonwood Country Club and thought it looked great but felt the greens were horrible. He played at Plantation Golf Club in Frisco which he thought the course was in good shape but the greens weren't so good this time around.
 - c. Charles A. played at Indian Creek Golf Club in Carrollton and feels it is a tough course but the greens were great.
 - d. Brad M. did some observation at Mesquite Golf Club and shared they have been doing some positive work to improve the course. His opinion is this course will be a competitive with Waterview.
6. Discuss status of recommendations to City Council including: Lake on #2, enclosure of pavilion, new trees, and reconfiguration of Hole 18 tee.
- a. Brian F. said the projects of reconfiguration of hole 18 and new trees are complete. There is still some reshaping that will be done throughout the summer.
 - b. The project for the lake has been awarded to Weibring-Wolfard. There will be 2 designs which will come back to the board on feedback of the designs. He is hoping to show the design at least by August board meeting.
 - c. The project for pavilion enclosure has been awarded to McCarthy Architecture. There is a tentative design schedule such as the contract been awarded to American Golf who will oversee this project, bring the design to either the August 6th board meeting then the bring it to City Council on August 20th. Construction documents and bid process between August and September. The construction bid can be awarded at middle meeting in October or November with an issue of notice to begin by December 1st. Along with the document for enclosure there are alternate bids if allowed by budget for the patio with french doors and extending the wall to grill area out to the sidewalk line.
 - d. Brad M. asked could the design for pavilion be ready for the July meeting. Brian F. said it is possible but we can check back with him towards end of June and he will know more.
 - e. Brad M. suggested that since the next July meeting falls on July 2nd near the July 4th holiday that the meeting be held on July 9th. All members agreed. He suggested if the designs will not be ready for July 9th then the July meeting will be cancelled. All members were in agreement.
7. Continue discussion of next year's fiscal year golf projects: 10th hole drainage, wall of 18th tee, new tees at 6 and 16, new bunkers, new trees, and extra money to complete pavilion enclosure, if necessary.
- No new news on these topics except what has been mentioned in regards to wall of 18th tee.
8. Discuss GAB members playing 2 foursomes at Waterview. The re-scheduled date will be June 2, 2013. A time will be confirmed closer to the date but will likely be about 2:00p.m.
- Date is set for June 9, 2013 at 2:00pm. All members said they will be present.
9. Discuss applications for board membership which are now online on city website.
- Applications for re-applying for the board can be done by going to the city website. Shelly M. will send an email reminding who needs to re-apply.
10. Discuss continuing issue of ruts in the fairway.
- a. Vincent L. asked the status of the ruts being fixed.



- b. Don T. shared that he isn't sure how the issue of the ruts need to be handled. He doesn't have the man power to fix the ruts. He is short 1.5 persons. He mentioned an informational piece from a reputable source that even if the ruts are fixed with this type of soil they are likely to return but not that this will deter any resolution.
- c. Geoffrey N. asked who determined that American Golf is responsible for this task.
- d. Brian F. said it was determined through the indication within the contract in regards to maintenance operations. How well things are maintained is the responsibility of American Golf. Exhibit F has some levels of objectivity and this falls within that component. He continued to voice the only time the city interjects is when there is a health issue.
- e. Vincent L. reminded that this is an advisory board and part of what we do is make recommendations for the golf course.
- f. Don T. asked for clarification of the cause of the ruts and Brad M. briefly explained the issue of where the irrigation and drainage lines were placed originally.

11. Discuss replacement of sand in bunkers.

- a. Brad M. asked Don T. if the sand had been replaced in the bunkers. Don T. replied the sand has not been replaced but will be something slowly worked on such as starting with 8, 5, and 16 because they lack the most. He reminded with putting new sand in it will make it soft for while. Don T. stated that with some the sand just needs to be moved around for it to reach the thickness needed.

12. Public Announcement. Members of the Board 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. Jermel S. brought awareness to the Fireworks on Main set for July 4th. Brian F. elaborated on the city preparing for one of its largest events.
- b. Jermel S. notified members of the 4th Annual Boards and Commission Volunteer Fair on July 25, 2013 located at Rowlett Community Center from 7:00pm – 8:30pm.
- c. Brian F. stated new city council members are being sworn in tonight at City Hall. He reminded the city has a stage 3 water restriction but the golf course has another source of water through Dallas therefore the restrictions do not apply at this time. He explained further on the restrictions in the event board members are asked questions it may help them in answering questions from other individuals.

13. Members of the board 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.

Geoffrey N. asked for discussion of Exhibit F of the American Golf contract to be placed on the next agenda.

14. Adjournment was at 8:50 a.m.

Brad Marshall, Vice Chairman

Jermel Stevenson, Director of Parks & Recreation