



GOLF ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

Tuesday, June 3rd, 2014 ~ 8:00 am
Club House at Waterview Golf Course
9509 Waterview Parkway, Rowlett TX 75088

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

ABSENT:

VISITORS: Ted Lapakta

STAFF: Jermel Stevenson, Director of Parks and Recreation; Brian Funderburk, City Manager; Don Tennant, Waterview Superintendent; Shelly Monroe, Parks and Recreations Administrative Assistant; Dru Bolen, General Manager of Waterview Golf Course; Debby Bobbitt, City Council Liaison.

1. The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m.
2. Quorum present.
3. Discuss and consider approving the minutes from the May 6, 2014 meeting.
Barbara Holst made a motion to approve the May 6, 2014 minutes as corrected. Geoffrey Nichols seconded the motion. Approved 5 – 0.
4. Update on tee box and bunker study by Josh Peters.
 - a. Brian Funderburk stated he spoke with Craig Kniffen and the hopes are to have this report in 3 weeks. The study results will be brought to this board and discussed. Recommendations will be made and then be presented to City Council.
 - b. Larry Glick asked if the study results could be sent to members prior to the review meeting.
 - c. L. Glick requested clarification of Josh Peter's role and B. Funderburk responded he is to represent both Waterview Golf Course and the City of Rowlett. Discussion took place in regards to the study and pace of play
5. Update from the City Manager on the City Council work session and regular meeting on 5/20/14.
 - a. B. Funderburk summarized that City Council approved the list of projects for Waterview Golf Course for an estimated \$880,448 and a budgetary contingency of \$50,000. The approval came with the condition of a tee and bunker study be completed, reviewed by this board and recommendations be presented to City Council.
 - b. B. Funderburk mentioned that once American Golf approves the new development agreement the first two projects, the retaining wall at hole #18 and the drainage on the side of hole #10, can begin.



6. Update on the projected starting dates for the enclosure of the tournament pavilion, design of the lake on hole #2, drainage on the side of hole #10, replacement of the retaining wall at #18, and five new bunkers throughout the golf course, new tee boxes on holes #6 and #16.
 - a. B. Funderburk reported he received a timeline from Waterview Golf which shows the work for the retaining wall on hole #18 can begin in June and be completed in August. The lake at hole #2, new bunkers, and tee box projects can begin in August and be completed by October. The pavilion will begin at the end of December and be completed in March 2015. He voiced before these projects can begin he needs to receive the approved development agreement from American Golf.
 - b. Brad Marshall clarified that American Golf will oversee the projects but Knight Erosion will be the company to work on the retaining wall. He had recent contact with Ready Rock for the retaining wall and once the order is made it will take 4 to 6 weeks before the rock materials will be available. As of right now that puts the begin time at least mid-August rather than in the month of June.
7. Water restrictions
 - a. B. Funderburk explained that even though the rain has helped the water levels it has not been enough to make an impact on the reservoir levels. The North Texas Municipal Water District voted to remain in Stage 3 water restriction at least through October 31, 2014. Rowlett is a customer city of the NTMWD therefore subject to their water restrictions but he is waiting to see if this will be ongoing before sending a formal letter to Waterview Golf Course to announce restrictions.
 - b. Don Tennant mentioned that Freese and Nichols contacted him inquiring about data of water usage. This company suggested that the golf course needs to dig and place wells to help supplement water usage but the cost is approximately \$300,000 each.
8. Discuss golf course conditions.
 - a. D. Tennant reported he is pleased with the new bunker work even though they still have a few things to complete. He said the fertilizer has been dispersed on the course.
 - b. D. Tennant acknowledged the work on the ruts has not begun but the soil mix is due for delivery this date. Work on hole #1 or #18 will begin.
 - c. D. Tennant stated he will be looking to make improvements to the driving range and tee approaches.
 - d. Brent Dorenbecker voiced his surprise that the greens were slow when he played a week ago.
 - e. L. Glick mentioned it appears a great job is being done with the shaved areas for example the grass is lower and makes the course more challenging. He commented that half of the fountains are not working. D. Tennant briefly explained the issue with the fountains and feels at this point he will obtain another company for maintenance of the pumps. B. Marshall suggested also checking the timers for the fountains as part of a maintenance check. B. Marshall stated the pump on hole #13 needs to be replaced. B. Funderburk will request this of American Golf.
 - f. Dru Bolen reported he has contacted companies about the monuments but they only do work off site which isn't an option. He is looking at some alternative methods and/or companies that work with the cemetery. L. Glick requested that a sample of the monument material be brought to this board for viewing.

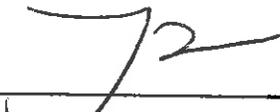


- b. J. Stevenson announced Wet Zone opened on May 17, 2014 for the weekends and it will open on weekdays beginning June 9, 2014. He reminded about the FireWorks on Main event to be held July 4th to include fireworks, a children's area, vendors and musical entertainment.
- c. J. Stevenson briefly explained about the emergency signs located at Pecan Grove, Springfield Park, Nature Trail, and Community Park.
- d. B. Funderburk shared the groundbreaking for the Homestead at Liberty Grove will be this month. This is a multi-phase project and will generate revenue for the city. He shared some details about the recent approval of a development agreement with a joint venture between The Integral Group of Atlanta and Catalyst Urban Development of Dallas for a mixed use residential and retail with a future municipal block project for the downtown development which will involve the Chamber of Commerce building being relocated as well as the library. He talked about the open space, trees, and community garden concept as part of this new design.
- e. B. Funderburk briefly updated members about the City of Rowlett's offer to purchase Dallas's Elgin B. Robertson Park. A developer is involved with this offer and they are hopeful to receive a response in August. The land will be developed for mixed use.
- f. D. Bolen stated the number of rounds year to date through May 2014 is 18,000. They are looking at the kitchen area being remodeled so it will match the new pavilion being built.

14. Topics for future agenda items requested by members for the next meeting.

- L. Glick reminded that the board's recommendations for the bunker and tee box study will need to be decided as well as a tour of the course regarding the recommendations from the study.

15. Meeting adjourned at 9:27 a.m.



Larry Glick, Chairman



Jernel Stevenson, Director of Parks & Recreation