

Golf Advisory Board  
Regular Meeting  
June 24, 2020

Members in attendance were Dan Birnley (Men's Rep.), Sam Jarvis (At-Large Rep.), Claudia McNair (Women's Rep.), Councilmember Arlina Yazzie, Golf Pro Micah Rudosky, Golf Course Superintendent Tom Kramlich, and Director of Parks and Recreation Dean Palmquist.

No guests were in attendance.

The meeting was called to order by Sam Jarvis at 7:00 AM with the minutes approved from the October 23, 2019, advisory board meeting.

**Pro Report** – Micah shared that the daily greens fees are up 6% for the year compared to last year, and the golf course revenues overall are up around \$1,600 compared to last year. Micah mentioned that he and his staff are conducting youth golf clinics with one coach per six students. Micah stated that the PGA Junior League is starting and may be conducted on a more local area basis than prior years. Micah shared that the outside check-in area has worked out pretty well for the golf course, and he is thankful that the pro shop has an overhang on the east side of the pro shop to allow for outside check-in. Micah shared that the first golf tournament at the golf course will be a Men's Golf Association 2-man best ball tournament this coming weekend on a Friday & Saturday. 60 players are signed up so far.

**Staff Report** – Tom stated that the precipitation is down compared to the typical year at 2.65 inches for the year. Tom shared that he has faced several limitations for the year, including a reduction in his operating budget and seasonal employees to maintain the golf course. Tom asked for understanding and patience from the golf advisory board members in regard to what he can get accomplished at the golf course this year with the limited budget and staff. The golf advisory board members were pleased with what Tom had been able to get accomplished so far with the limited resources he had available to him. The golf advisory board members said that they would help let their respective associations and the golf community know that Tom has limited resources this year and for them to understand the restrictions he is under. Tom shared his appreciation for Dean in going before the City Council in mid-May to request bringing back some seasonal employees that had been unable to be rehired until then. Dean handed out the golf course reopening plan and explained the different tiers to the golf advisory board members. Dean also shared that the golf course is presently in tier II and mentioned that the golf course reopening plan was developed in early March by Tom, Micah and himself and approved by the City Manager John Dougherty well before the golf course was allowed to reopen back up. Dean stated that Tom, Micah and himself did a great job crafting the golf course reopening plan with very little knowledge of having to do something like that from prior experiences.

Dean also passed out a sample leaflet of the personalized stones program at the golf course for review and input by the golf advisory board members. Dean shared that if he did not hear any changes by Monday the following week from the advisory board members that he would get a draft copy to one of the local printing companies to produce 500 copies. Dean complimented Tom Kramlich and Jeff Lively for the great job they did in getting the stones in-place around the flagpole. Also, Dean was very pleased by the designing and engraving work completed by Ryan Custom Products, based out of Dolores, Colorado.

**Men's Association Report** – Dan mentioned that the Men's Golf Association has 85 members signed up and paid \$500 to the City for the Par 3 bronze yardage markers. Dan asked Dean to check with the City finance department to confirm receipt of the Men's Golf Association check. Dean stated that he will look into it to make sure the money was deposited and posted to the right account. Dan also mentioned about the MGA 2-man best ball tournament and that \$265 would be contributed to each high school golf team. Dan also requested to see if the Women's Golf Association could help out with the Par 3 bronze yardage markers. Claudia said that she would check into it.

**Women's Association Report** – Claudia mentioned that the Women's Golf Association is participating in a women's area golf league.

**At-Large Report** – Sam shared that the golf course patrons are questioning some of the maintenance issues of not having more grooming of the sand bunkers and the many dry spots along the golf course. As previously noted, Tom and his staff have very limited resources this year, and priorities needed to be made on what got done and not completed on the golf course. On the flip side, Sam stated that the golf course patrons are very pleased with the condition of the greens and tee boxes. Sam also noted that he appreciated the extra trash cans placed out on the course by Tom and his staff in addressing that issue after they had not been put out on the course, due to COVID-19 concerns.

**Youth Report**- No report. It was mentioned to start looking for a youth representative replacement for Dimery Plewe. Micah shared that Thayer Plewe may be interested in serving in that capacity.

**Council Report** – Arlina shared that the City is starting into their budget process early this year. Dean mentioned that he has already submitted his first draft of the parks and recreation budget to City management for their review.

The next Golf Advisory Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 22, 2020, at 7:00 AM at the golf course pro shop deck area.

Adjournment – 7:59 AM