

October 6, 2008 Golf Advisory Board Minutes

Present: Charlie Van Gerpen, Craig Smith, Dr. Richard Schoessler, John Knox, Kay Tobin, Todd Surdez, Jessie Naze and Tom Farnsworth

Charlie called the meeting to order at 5:30. It was determined there was a quorum.

It was noted the anticipated closing date for the course is to be November 12. The Honker Open is to be October 11 and the Widows Hunting golf outing is October 18th.

To date we have had approximately 28,000 rounds of golf played. Not too bad considering we lost about 30 playing days during April and May.

Todd will attend the USGTF (Golf Teachers Federation) training in Arizona between October 8 – 14. John Knox, Rob Davis and Tim Burgaard will attend a certified teaching course in Las Vegas in December.

Next year Todd hopes to implement some new incentives to get more players to the course on Friday and Saturday nights. For example, a child (14 or under) will get a free ice cream sundae if they play with at least one parent. There also might be a reduced twilight fee Friday and Saturday evenings.

During the December 9 Pierre City Commission meeting, there will be a drawing for the shotgun Dr. Schoessler has donated as a fund raiser for the clubhouse.

A motion was made by John Knox and seconded by Dr. Schoessler to recommend that the city commission raise the following golf course usage rates:

Individual	\$425	to	\$475	Married Couple	\$695	to	\$795
Each Junior or Child w/Ind, Married C. or Young Adult	add \$50 for each Junior		Young Adult (age 19-25)		\$275	to	\$300
	add \$30 for each Child						
Junior (age 12-18)	\$100	to	\$125	Child (age 11 and under)	\$60	to	\$75

Recommend no discount for early purchases this year, but to give early purchasers a certificate to give to a friend for one 18 hole round of golf if they purchase before March 1, 2009.

10 – 9 hole rounds	\$144	to	\$153	10 – 18 hole rounds (new)	\$234
18 holes	\$24	to	\$26	9 holes	\$16 to \$17
Split	\$8	to	\$9	The motion carried by a unanimous vote.	

Charlie strongly encouraged the city to pledge \$100,000 toward the money needed to accomplish the club house renovation. The amount would be approximately 20% of the cost of the renovation. There was considerable discussion.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30