

Golf Board Minutes – to be approved.  
Monday March 10, 2008

Members Present: Charlie Van Gerpen, Robert Williams, Craig Smith, Teri Ellenbecker, Barb Wood, Todd Surdez, Dean Heymans, Tom Farnsworth and Leon Schochenmaier.

Charlie opened the meeting at the City Commission room at 5:30 PM. Dean reported that the course is in good shape and will open the driving range this coming Saturday at 10:30 and the following Saturday at 10:30 weather permitting. Use of carts will also depend on the weather. He requested that we not open the course on Thursday mornings until 7:30 am to allow the crew to put down the chemicals and herbicides. Later in the meeting Craig Smith made a motion to allow Dean's request. Robert Williams second. Motion carried. Dean also explained the need for the fence by the cart shed and discussed plans to hydro-seed the right and left side of #12 at the end of May.

Todd will open the clubhouse with the same hours mentioned previously. The Web site has been updated and a lot of information is there. Todd received his Level 3 Teaching certification and plans on starting the Level 4 this year.

Tom reported on memberships purchased by March 1 to receive the 5% discount. We have 267 members so far. 166 adult individual, 48 married ccouples, 4 family, 20 kids, 24 Jr's and 5 young adult. There have been requests for Corporate memberships. Discussed possible special rates at slow times at the Managers discretion.

Old Business: Tom reviewed the previous information on the Clubhouse Proposal. He reported that the offer on the Elks Option is no longer available. We received 65 more responses after the Feb 21<sup>st</sup> meeting at the Ramkota.

Do Nothing-2

No amount given- 11

\$45000 Option- 35

\$600000 Option- 4

\$900000 Option-1

Remodel Comments included- Use local Contractors, Modest seating (don't need to provide large group seating), snack bar is sufficient as is, BR/Lockers need updating, utilize the view, insulate the bldg. and upgrade wiring and plumbing, lose the tin shed appearance.

Comments on Financing included: 1 not willing to pay more, \$1 assessment to members per round of golf (10 yes and 3 no), \$1 green fees (3 yes) \$50 per member (7 yes 3 no), \$100 per member (3-yes), no charge for youth, don't give the 5% discount, \$2-5 assess for tournament play, get private funds, grants.

Comments on Mgmt included 4 want a Pro, 2 focus on youth, no liquor license(1) starter shack (1) No fivesomes.

Todd reported that last year there was a 42% increase in Jr golfers and he has 4 instructors for them this year.

Tom then presented the Proposed Resolution to be presented to the City Commission Tuesday night. Much discussion followed on how the golfers would fund this project and many ideas of what the additional fees /assessments to golfers should be. A problem being that many have already purchased their memberships this year. Consensus was that all golfers need to help and that the majority want something started this year. Discussion held on the different membership rates, the amount members would be willing to pay annually until the project is paid for, the necessary revenue stream before the city could get a loan. Ways to cut costs and the need to evaluate mgmt costs.

The resolution was reviewed and it was felt it needed to have #7 amended . Teri moved to approve the presentation of the Resolution with the amendment of #7 to read : Authorize the project to be advertised for bids when a dedicated revenue stream is identified by the Golf Board. This would then need to be approved by the City Commission and approved by a lending institution. Barb second and motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted  
Teri Ellenbecker