

**GOLF ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES**  
**Tuesday, February 2, 2016 ~ 8:00 am**  
**Waterview Golf Club**  
**9509 Waterview Parkway, Rowlett TX 75088**

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**PRESENT:** Michael Daffin, Jerry Daniels, Brent Dorenbecker, Larry Glick, Barbara Holst, Guy Hunsaker, Brad Marshall, Becky Sebastian

**ABSENT:** Jonathan Andron

**STAFF:** Debby Bobbitt, City Council Liaison; Dru Bolen, General Manager Waterview Golf Course; Brian Funderburk, City Manager; Matthew Mays, Assistant General Manager of Waterview Golf Course; Shelly Monroe, Parks and Recreation Sr. Administrative Assistant; Tim Rogers, Director of Public Works; Angela Smith, Parks and Recreation Interim Director; Don Tennant, Waterview Superintendent.

1. Larry Glick, Chair, called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.
2. Quorum present.
3. Consider action to approve January 5, 2016 minutes.
  - a. Brad Marshall motioned to approve.
  - b. Jerry Daniels seconded the motion.
  - c. Approved 5 - 0.
4. Update on the status of the bid process for the new steps to the new tees.

Angela Smith reported no bids were received for the first bid request and the main issue appears to be the price of the project does not warrant a golf company to send a crew for this type of task. The bid request was resent including landscaping companies. Larson Golf Services was chosen and plans are to install both steps on Feb 15<sup>th</sup>. The project will take approximately 5 days.
5. Review of City Council's GAB plans for 2016 - Larry Glick.

L. Glick reported he attended a City Council work session in December involving all board chairs. There are plans for City Council to meet with each board to review the board description and the expectations. A specific date for GAB is not set as of yet. Members will be notified of the date and encouraged to attend.
6. Preliminary discussion of the GAB 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament.
  - a. L. Glick summarized the process and would like members to start considering dates in late April or May. Will continue looking at a Sunday in the early afternoon.
  - b. Shelly Monroe will send email to members with possible dates and request members to respond with availability.
7. Update on adding a net in front of the new pond at hole #10.

Dru Bolen shared the net will be added later in the year. This is a smaller project than anticipated. The net will be 5 feet.

8. Status of American' Golf's Waterview 2016 budget - Dru Bolen
  - D. Bolen reported \$50,000 is approved to update the Par 3 Course and driving range but may be able to accomplish other projects such as aerification in the lakes. D. Bolen voiced they would like to add an audio system on the patio.
9. Status on the water restrictions.
  - a. B. Marshall reiterated the importance of the lake levels being maintained because it can be an ongoing problem for residents aside from golf course conditions.
  - b. Jim Proce provided an update on the negotiations with City of Dallas.
  - c. Tim Rogers reported the city partnered with a consultant on alternative options. One option is the use of wells which is highly expensive. Second option is the use of a meter and placing pipes from reclaimed non-potable water which is more cost effective and a more reliable source than option one. No specific plans drawn at this time due to the city waiting on results of the contract.
  - d. B. Marshall and D. Tennant made a couple of points to be considered when the engineers are drafting a plan. T. Rogers stated they will coordinate with Waterview before proceeding with any plans. L. Glick asked if this alternate plan could be ready by June of this year. T. Rogers replied it is not likely because of the length of this process and lack of funding due to the expenses of tornado recovery.
  - e. J. Proce provided some history of how the funding for water operates. Questions asked and answers provided.
  - f. D. Bolen pointed out if water sources are low during the summer it can be predicted the outer roughs will be crippled and likely not be up to standard.
10. Discuss golf course conditions to include plans for ruts in the fairways, new sand for bunkers, and plans for the 12<sup>th</sup> green.
  - a. Ruts in fairways: Plans to approximately begin in May with three new holes and cap the other three holes previously done. D. Bolen added if there is a lack of water it does affect the condition of the roughs.
  - b. Sand in bunkers: Plans are to begin in March.
  - c. Brent Dorenbecker reported comments made from players he was accompanied during a golf tournament such as players felt Waterview is in poorer condition than courses of Pecan Hollow, Woodbridge and Buffalo Creek. The greens at other courses appear to be in better shape the way the ball rolls and not having to rake bunkers first in order to play from them. He is aware of approximately 15 players who left from playing the course a few times because they didn't feel they were getting the value of what they were paying for although B. Dorenbecker acknowledges tee time schedules with Pecan Hollow is unsatisfactory.
  - d. B. Marshall voiced FireWheel offers the same type of greens as Waterview therefore is a better comparison than Pecan Hollow. He added Pecan Hollow has Mini Verde and it should be dormant at this time of year. B. Marshall acknowledges there is quite a bit of poa annua on the course but he believes the biggest issue with Waterview's course is the differentiation between the fairway and the collars on the greens.
  - e. D. Tennant said aerification is best to do in June but the process can begin earlier such as end of March and will allow other maintenance to be done during the summer months.
  - f. D. Bolen mentioned December and January had the best number of rounds on record. January had approximately 2500 rounds.

11. Discuss condition and overall rating of courses played other than Waterview, with emphasis on favorable and unfavorable comparisons to Waterview.
  - a. Barbara Holst stated she played the old course at Firewheel and mentioned the condition of course was decent for winter. Keeton Park's conditions were better than anticipated but the greens had some weeds and it did affect her putts, although golfers were friendly and she observed several women players. She will be a walking scorer during the Ladies Professional Golf Association tournament first weekend of May.
  - b. J. Daniels shared some of his future plans for attending golf tournaments this year for example leaving this week for the Waste Management Phoenix Open in Arizona. Returning to The Players Championship PGATour in May

12. Public Announcements.

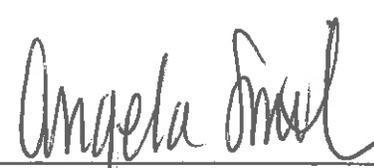
- a. L. Glick shared Keep Rowlett Beautiful is holding Love Your Neighbor Clean-up Event this Saturday beginning at 8:30am at Rowlett High School to help with curb side tornado debris. RSVP with KRB.
- b. D. Bolen is working with the Recreation Programmer at Rowlett Community Centre to host a movie night in the pavilion during the month of July. This activity which will involve some par 3 play and further types of programs will be assessed after this event.
- c. D. Bolen has received approval to use granite signs so he is in the process of seeing how to proceed with obtaining sponsors.
- d. D. Bolen reported Waterview staff are changing uniforms on weekends such as jersey style shirts.

13. Any member may request topics for future agenda items for the next meeting.

- a. Par 3 Master Plan
- b. Update on alternatives for water source
- c. Open Carry Law and how it affects the golf course
- d. Signage for Waterview Golf course

14. Adjourned at 8:17a.m.

  
Larry Glick, Chairman

  
Angela Smith, Parks and Recreation Interim Director