

MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

November 4, 2009

The Municipal Golf Course Advisory Board held its monthly meeting on Wednesday, November 4, 2009, at 3:00 p.m. in the Health Department's conference room. Board members present were Phil Gage, Sherri Bowden, Claud Clifton, Petty Hunter, Lawayne Harris, and Melvin Martin. Absent was Charles Maciel. Dave Hand Golf Supervisor, Community Services staff present were Mike Hall, Director; Tony Neitzler, Asst. Director; and Linda Hansen, Executive Secretary.

Chair, Phil Gage called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

Lawayne Harris moved that the minutes of the, August 19, 2009 meeting be approved. Melvin Martin seconded the motion. With all in favor, the motion carried.

Review operational numbers June through October 2009: Phil asked Dave Hand how the \$6,000 payment for City of Abilene was recorded on P & L statement. Dave stated that depending on the timing of the \$6,000 indicates on what month it was posted. Dave stated that the sale number includes \$34,000 accounts receivables. Phil asked if they reported on an accrual or cash basis. Dave stated that they were on a cash basis except for the accounts receivables, until the end of the year when the accountants back that amount out. The balance sheet reflects actual money received and accounts payable and receivables on a separate line. Dave stated that a yearly membership amount is recorded in that month and taxes are paid that month even if they make payments. Phil asked to see a report showing October 2008. The board reviewed July and August 2009 versus last year. September is down 500 rounds, revenue is up due to membership renewals. Phil asked if it would be possible to show income in the same month that the money was received for memberships that make payments. Dave stated that he has a lot invested and is willing to hold out, but he is not sure if his investors are willing. Phil asked to see January – October 2008 reports.

Update on irrigation improvements at Maxwell Golf Course: Mike Hall stated that they received bids from four companies to replace irrigation system. The \$115,000 bid from Hunter out of Fort Worth was chosen. They should start in November and should finish in 15 days weather permitting.

Discussion and possible action recommending that the Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Abilene consider amending zoning ordinance Chapter 23.3065 (H)(13) to allow the sale of alcoholic beverages at the City Golf Course: Phil stated that he feels that alcoholic sales could increase revenue. Sherri stated that other courses bring as much as \$4,500 per month in revenue. Lawayne stated that he was concerned about alcohol sales while youth were playing. Melvin stated that beer sales are good revenue for other courses and players are currently bringing beer while playing. Lawayne made a motion to recommend the zoning change to allow alcohol beverages at the Maxwell Municipal Golf Course.

Phil designated himself, Sherri and Melvin to a subcommittee to review considering alcohol sales.

Meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.