

MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

May 19, 2010

The Municipal Golf Course Advisory Board held its monthly meeting on Wednesday, May 19, 2010 at 3:00 p.m. in the Community Services 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, Kelley Messer. 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 3:00 p.m.

Lewayne Harris moved that the minutes of the, March 24, 2010 meeting be approved. Sherri Bowden seconded the motion. With all in favor, the motion carried.

Review March and April 2010 operations revenue and expenditure numbers: Phil stated that March rounds are down 493, net is about even. Weather has been part of the reason rounds are down. April the rounds are down and the net is up a little. Dave stated that the GPS numbers are still in history, they will be out effective June 2010. Prior year food and beverage are down due to tournament not being held. YTD rounds down vs. history. May has been down due to weather.

Discuss additional options of advertising: Dave stated that he ran an advertisement with 30 spots for \$800. He has had several new members join due to the advertisements. Phil asked Dave how we were advertising up coming clinic. Dave stated that they usually fill the 60 slots. Phil asked if they could handle more students. Dave stated that with the number of employees that they really could not handle any more and that the clinic was in the golf magazine.

Discuss clinics for Abilene Youth and other tournaments including City Championship: Phil suggested having a City Championship between different courses. Dave stated that it was not very logistical. Phil stated that he feels that we should have some type of tournament. Lewayne stated that individual tournaments are usually not very successful and suggested each department head within the City have a team and play a tournament. Phil asked Dave if he had any success on getting any non-profit tournaments. Dave stated that he is working on a tournament and that he had one on Sunday with the Dream Makers.

Update on improvements to the irrigation system: Phil stated that the creek on 27th is backing up on 9th green. Mike stated that we were granted the \$65,000 on CIP for Maxwell and that it would be July or August before money was available. It would be around September before any work could be started. Dave stated that the new system has saved about 30 hours a week in labor and they are able to water specific areas. They have other repairs that need to be made so that they will work with new system. The watering is done 100% automatically now which saves on water and labor. Mike stated that it would be good to report to Council in August when reviewing contract.

Phil thanked Melvin and Claud for their service on the board.

Meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.