

LOVELAND GOLF ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES
05/23/18
THE OLDE COURSE AT LOVELAND MAINTENANCE SHOP

PRESENT: Robert Walkowicz, Joe Lopo, Julie Nelson, Chuck Weirauch, Jack Stringer
Charlie Dyer, Jan Wall, Greg Oehmen
ABSENT: Jim Whitenight, Rex Lamoreaux
STAFF: Steve Southard, Andrea Sheldon, Dennis Kling
COUNCIL: Absent
CITIZENS PRESENT: Jon Smela

Notice of meeting posted.

Chair Robert Walkowicz called the regular meeting of the Loveland Golf Advisory Board to order Wednesday, May 23, 2018 at 5:15 pm.

Minutes The minutes for the 04/25/18 meeting approved as submitted.

Citizen Comments None

NON-ACTION/INFORMATION ITEMS

Introduction of Mark Esoda Robert Walkowicz introduced Mark Esoda as the new Golf Manager; Mark's first day was 05/14/2018. Mark has over 40 years in the golf field and has worked for various state golf associations. In regards to the OCAL clubhouse project, Mark indicated that he would need to take the necessary time to wade through the available data, establish the needs, investigate the options available (financial and otherwise), and develop a plan that was feasible and had the buy in from the whole golf team and other departments.

Introduction of The Olde Course Maintenance Staff and 2018 Goals Dennis reviewed the information included in the packet. Dennis also provided updates on OCAL projects and programs such as the new forward tees constructed and opened.

Introduction of The Olde Course Pro Shop Staff and 2018 Goals This agenda item was added. Jim Dargis reviewed the projects and programs for the OCAL pro shop. One focus for 2018 is reducing the number of regular, repeat no-shows.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

Junior Golf Foundation Andrea Sheldon introduced Jon Smela, President of the Board of Trustees for the Junior Golf Foundation (JGF). Jon reviewed the history of the JGF; Jon also expressed that the mission of the JGF had changed over the years, especially as the golf pros and pro shop staff became employees of the City. The JGF Board of

Trustees voted to dissolve the Foundation with all funds transferred to the Parks and Recreation Commission following bylaw directives. The Parks and Recreation Commission will retain the funds in an account specially earmarked for distribution for youth golf. Jon asked the GAB to accept the oversight of the fund including requests for distributions.

After discussion, Charlie Dyer moved that the GAB accept the recommendation of the Junior Golf Foundation and oversee the monies held by the Parks and Recreation Commission, earmarked for junior golf, including future requests for disbursements. Further, Jim Dargis, or another designated golf staff member, will serve as the single point of contact with golf administration staff to manage the account. This oversight of the fund will survive the current GAB and be assumed by future GABs as needed. Chuck Weirauch seconded with unanimous approval.

REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE

Financial Report

Andrea reviewed year-to-date expenditures and revenues through April. Currently, both revenues and expenditures are below predictions.

Golf Operations Report

Mark addressed the following:

- removal of water coolers from OCAL. The increase in labor costs is an issue all over the country; staff will continue to try to find ways to continue to offer services, just perhaps in a different manner. OCAL maintenance staff is investigating the possibility of adding “chillers” to the bathroom drinking fountains.
- All current capital improvement projects are under review.
- Open Lands staff have offered their help with the Audubon Certification process for the golf courses.

Board Member Comments

Charlie Dyer: Will miss June meeting

Jack Stringer: Golf course conditions are fantastic. Would like to look at possibility of adding more spots for Mens’ Club members to play in events on Saturday and Sunday mornings.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

/S/ Robert Walkowicz, Chair