

Golf Commission Minutes
Tuesday, April 14, 2020 12:00pm
Zoom Meeting

Members Present: Abram, Hankner, B. Jones, Reusche, Thorson
Members Absent: None
Staff Present: Riordan, Miller, D. Jones, David
Council Present: Glaser
Visitors Present: None

Summary of Formal Action: The meeting was called to order at 12:05 pm by Chairperson B. Jones.

March 10, 2020 minutes were not available.

Regular Business:

1. Pro Shop Lease Agreement

Riordan told the Commission that after they had voted to approve the lease agreement during the March meeting, board members of the Country Club has requested to meet to discuss the lease. Due to the Pro Shop being open during the winter the Country Club had requested \$12,000 annually. They settled on \$11,000 annually. In addition, the Country Club will provide paper products and other products for the shared restroom.

11-20 Moved: Thorson Seconded: Abram
 Yes: 5 No: 0 Absent: 0

Director's Report: Riordan reported that the fence has been installed behind green #3. Originally there were supposed to be slats put in the chain link to stop golf balls from bouncing through and to cut down on view of the construction area. That hasn't been done yet, but Riordan is in contact with the contractor to see when they will be added. Riordan is hopeful that the fence can be removed sometime in June. It will depend on what the area behind the fence looks like at that time. Thorson mentioned that the fence looked closer to the green than what was originally thought. Riordan explained that what they had originally looked at was the area of the retention area, the fence is a little closer to the green to allow for construction of the retention area.

Course Staff Report: D. Jones reported on ways that staff has been affected by the Coronavirus. Some precautions include removal of bunker rakes, benches have been removed, green cups turned upside down, porta potties cleaned and sanitized daily, and equipment and vehicles are being sanitized after each use. Holding off on hiring seasonal help so Miller and D. Jones have been doing all maintenance up to this point. Thorson asked if seasonal people would be able to be hired. D. Jones said that they already have clearance from the City to hire seasonal staff as needed, but they are being cautious considering most of the seasonal staff age. D. Jones and Miller will be installing the sustain and supply pumps next week.

Pro Report: David reported on some of the precautions that the Pro Shop is taking at this time as well. Holding off on hiring seasonal staff until necessary, spacing tee times at 12 minutes apart, 1 rider/cart unless in same household, 2 people in Pro Shop at a time, carts sanitized after each use, and no merchandise sales. In March we had 438 rounds. April Rounds are up so far. Memberships are lower as people are waiting to make sure the course continue will remain open. David said that 6 smaller events had already been postponed or cancelled. All events are cancelled through May 10. Match play will be starting soon.

Chairperson's Report: B. Jones commented that he is very appreciative of Golf Course and Pro Shop staff and how they have worked with the challenges that the Coronavirus has presented.

Communications:

Thorson asked if it would be possible to get minutes within a day or two after the meeting so the Commission could have them for review. Riordan said he would get them out as soon as possible.

Abram asked what the \$232.00 in the grants line item in the financials was for. Riordan would get back to the Commission on it. Abram also asked about other line items that were overbudget. Riordan said that the maintenance building needed a new heater that wasn't planned for and there were also updates to phone and internet.

Reusche asked if there had been any more talk or exploration on a golf learning center. Riordan said not at this time. David said that Prairie Links driving range is closed. Thorson commented that road trips to see other courses/etc. has been postponed for now.

Next Meeting: The next meeting is Tuesday, May 12, 2020, Noon at the Country Club or Zoom Meeting.

Adjournment:

Motion: To Adjourn

12-20

Moved: Reusche

Seconded: Abram

Yes: 5

No: 0

Absent: 0

Meeting adjourned at 12:35 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Garret Riordan, Leisure Services Director