

GOLF COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING

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I. PROCEDURES

- A. Call to Order Chairman Andy Worthington called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.
- B. Roll Call Chairman Andy Worthington, Committee members Bob DeLander, Gill Hoffman and Rick Shipley were present. Pam Fain, Chuck Nelson and Marci Freshour were not in attendance. Vice Mayor Don Dent attended as ex-officio member from City Council. Staff members in attendance included City Manager Brandon Buchanan, Golf Course Superintendent Marty Yerian, and Deputy City Clerk Pamela Galvan. Golf Course Manager Scott Little also attended.
- C. Approval of minutes February 17 , 2015 Gill Hoffman made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Bob DeLander seconded, and the motion carried 4-0.
- D. Adoption of Agenda Gill Hoffman made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented. Bob DeLander seconded, and the motion carried 4-0.

II. AGENDA ITEMS

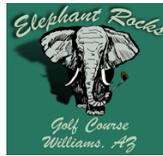
- A. General discussion on course setup
- Andy Worthington noted the greens are outstanding, and the Committee agreed.
 - Bunker sand and the cost were discussed. The sand is coming from Camp Verde at \$18.00 a ton vs. \$50.00 a ton elsewhere. We are putting high-end PGA top dressing sand into the bunkers. A truckload of top grade sand for 2 bunkers is \$1,000.00.
 - There was discussion of replacing all of the bunkers with this grade of sand entirely, and the cost could be \$14,000 to \$15,000.00, plus hours of labor.
 - Andy Worthington noticed the cut between the fairway and the greens is not distinct enough. Marty Yerian pointed out there is a collar cut is done every other day.
 - The question came up if tee-boxes 5 and 10 were available for use. 5 needs a bit more water and 10 has prairie dog issues.
 - Several trees will be removed this year.
- B. General discussion on short and long term course improvements
- Short term*
- Andy Worthington inquired if there is anything the Committee can do, if they are to raise the rates in the future. There needs to be some improvements completed.
 - Andy Worthington asked if a few extra sprinklers could be added in some areas.

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- Marty Yerian noted that tree roots are beginning to pop up in the fairways as well as in the greens, and they need to be addressed now.
- Millings are available for use at the golf course.

Long term

- Cart paths be put in; perhaps in sections.
 - Asphalt paving the drive up to parking lot. Cost would be \$80,000.00 just the drive up to the parking lot.
 - Club House
- C. Discuss ranger training
- The Committee agrees that the rangers require training.
 - Scott Little pointed out that there are not many volunteers to choose from. He is attempting to improve their skills.

III. REPORTS AND INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- A. Committee Members
- The next meeting will be on Tuesday, September 8th due to the holiday on Monday.
- B. City Staff
- *Brandon Buchanan/2015-2016 Tentative Budget for the Golf Course* – Brandon Buchanan went over the costs and explained this is what we have budgeted for the coming year. Advertising cost is not budgeted for 2015-2016.
 - Scott Little noted that if there were funds he would advertise in the Flagstaff paper.
 - Andy Worthington asked when the City might install cart paths. He asked how to obtain more funds for the golf course. Maybe asphalt paths would be less expensive, as well as the cost to maintain them.
 - Andy Worthington said that \$30,000.00 seems decent for equipment. Marty explained carts are replaced every 10 years, and they pay for themselves within two years. New mowers cost \$65,000.00 each.
 - The \$30,000.00 budgeted for 2015-2016 is for the pump house replacement.
 - *Marty Yerian/Water pressure system repair/maintenance, and course projects repair/maintenance* –The pump house will take 3-4 weeks to put together; all of the parts are ready. It will take 2-3 days to install and swap out the old one. The new proposed pump house will bring the computer up-to-date and removes the old pump. As soon as

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the budget is approved Marty will order it.

- Golf course maintenance is verticutting and double verticutting greens. They are working to get water on hole #17 and will be hydro seeding.
- Marty stated the addition of the yardage markers in 2014 was a great improvement to the course.
- *Scott Little* – Thinks the verticutting is great.
- Scott explained the numbers are down this year: 750 cart fees, and 560 green fees.
- Paid greens fees through May are \$11,000.00.
- Membership is up \$5,700.00, better than last year at this time.
- Continental reinstated their old pricing for play, so their Men’s Club is no longer playing here.
- Scott is happy with the staff and course operation.

IV. ADJOURN

Gill Hoffman moved to adjourn, Bob DeLander seconded, and the motion carried 4 -0. The meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Chairperson

Attest
