

Golf Commission Minutes
Tuesday, May 13, 2008 Noon
Waverly Country Club

Members Present: Klamfoth, Lutz, Striepe, Tyler, VanDaalen
Members Absent: None
Staff Present: Ray, Snook, Mason
Council Present: Ackerman
Visitors Present: Thorson

Summary of Formal Action: The meeting was called to order at Noon by Chairperson Van Daalen.

Motion: Approve March minutes as amended.

09-08	Moved: Tyler	Seconded: Lutz
Yes: 5	No: 0	Absent: 0

Regular Business:

1. Report and Effects of Harsh Winter on Turf Grass

Snook reviewed the report from Dr Minner, ISU Turfgrass Specialist, and his winter damage report. He reported that we are seeing some recovery. He also said that ISU recommends reseeding with ryegrass due to the application last fall of a pre-emergent herbicide to control knotweed. This would involve double aerification of the areas, seeding with ryegrass, starter fertilizer, roping off the area until grass is established (about a month), chemically kill the grass in the fall, double aerification of the area, seeding with bluegrass, starter fertilizer, and roping it off during establishment. None of the seed, fertilizer or labor is budgeted. Approximate costs of the ryegrass and fertilizer are about \$4,500.

Snook also reported that some of the recovery now being seen will not survive. However, there may be additional recovery when the ground temperature increases and the sun comes out.

Mason said the comments from the golfers have mostly been complimentary. The greens and tees were not affected. Aesthetics is the key thing - the grounds won't look as good as they normally do this year. The Waverly Invite is the main event where golfers come from out of town and they expect the best conditions.

Motion: To recommend waiting to reseed with bluegrass this fall and not pursue the option of planting ryegrass now.

10-08	Moved: Striepe	Seconded: Lutz
Yes: 5	No: 0	Absent: 0

2. Review the Project Construction Schedule

Snook reviewed the Project Construction schedule and reported the pre-construction meeting is May 21 at 10:30 am at the Turf Care Center.

Reports and Communications:

Director Report

- The budget amendment will be approved by the City Council at the next meeting. The Golf Course/Pro Shop budget was amended by \$30,500 additional expenditures. These included Pro Shop salaries, wages and dues according to the contract, cart rentals, for a total of \$27,000. This was offset by additional revenues. The Golf Maintenance was over on supplies for rock to landscape the new building, unbudgeted cell phone and fuel for \$3,500.
- Ray reviewed the monthly financials and the marketing fund printout. There is about \$2,500 remaining in the marketing fund for the rest of the year.

Pro Report

- Season ticket sales are starting to catch up with the late start.
- We have 6 new senior passes and 3 passes were purchased by fall pass users.
- The new computer system will make the reports more accurate. The card system is being well received.
- Online tee times have recently been activated and are picking up.

Superintendent Report

- WLP is contracting the cleanup of the railroad bank and the planting of the ground cover.
- We experienced a lightning strike on the pump station resulting in about \$1,500 of damage with some costs covered by insurance.
- #2 pump of the pump station needs new gearings in order for it to operate this year.
- Great experienced staff this year.

County Club Report

- None

Next Meeting: June 10 at Noon at the Country Club.

Adjournment: Adjournment was at 1:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tab Ray
Leisure Services Director
Commission Secretary