

## GOLF COURSE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF JULY 25,2016

PARK DISTRICT OFFICE 735 N. 2<sup>ND</sup> STREET

Members present: Dennis Berg, Barb Kannheiser, Mark Gillis and Josh Johnson. Absent was Bob Johns.

Others present: Golf Course Superintendent Mitch Hamilton, Mayor Chet Olson, Park District Executive Director, Eric Christensen and Rochelle City Engineer Sam Tesreau.

Meeting called to order at 5:00PM Minutes of the July 25 meeting were approved.

1. Public comments: Sam Tesreau was present to go over details and get feedback for a proposed multi-use path on the course property along Hwy 251 and Washington Street. This would be a 10 foot wide path along holes 14, 15, 16, 17 and in front of hole 2. The committee had concerns about pedestrian and player safety, and the congested area behind #17 tee. There is also concern along the Kyte Creek going up to 17 green. The committee will solicit feed back and discuss at a later meeting.
2. Financial Report: Dennis Berg is working with Mitch and and the City treasurer to get a better accounting of our overall expenses and revenues. One of the issues is that GREDCO LLC is withholding over \$24,000 in 2016 dues that were paid before the first of the year. Mayor Olson will pursue a resolution to this issue. When this credited to our account we will have a better idea of where we are at financially.
3. Course Superintendent Report: Mitch reported that as of 7/24/16 there were 6139 rounds of golf played. This is up over 600 rounds from last year to date. August has 4 major play days scheduled expecting around 450 players. The new restaurant owner will handle all food and liquor sales for these events. Mitch purchased 40 used sprinkler heads at \$50 each to replace our aging ones. This and work on the sand bunkers are on-going projects. There is a rough mower with some maintenance issues, with that equipment and another having 5000 hours and 8000 hours of use. New doors have been ordered for the outside restrooms.
4. Business items: The concrete area between the restaurant building and the Golf Pro shop needs to be removed and replaced due to the construction of the restaurant to make this area ADA compliant and to enhance the entrance to both businesses. Mr. Scanlan has requested that the City of Rochelle and the Park District share some of this cost in the amount of \$3000.00. A motion was made by Barb Kannheiser and seconded by Josh Johnson to seek this request of funds. The motion carried unanimously. Chairman Berg submitted a formal request to both parties.
5. Barb mentioned that there were some concerns in the Junior golf program due to mixing of the age groups. Mitch will discuss this with Mr. Brennan to make things run

smoother next year. There was also a concern of adult supervision needs. Josh requested that we sand containers on the course for the walking golfers. Mitch will look into this.

The next meeting was set for August 29<sup>th</sup> at 5:00PM

Meeting adjourned at 6:08PM