

GOLF COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING

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I. PROCEDURES

- A. Call to Order Chairman Andy Worthington called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.
- B. Roll Call Chairman Andy Worthington, Committee members Marci Freshour and Rick Shipley were present. Bob DeLander, Chuck Nelson and Gill Hoffman were not in attendance. Staff members in attendance included Golf Course Superintendent Marty Yerian, and Deputy City Clerk Pamela Galvan. Golf Course Manager Scott Little also attended.
- C. Approval of minutes April 11, 2016 Chuck Nelson made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Gill Hoffman seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.
- D. Adoption of Agenda Gill Hoffman made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented. Bob DeLander seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.

II. AGENDA ITEMS

- A. The Committee will discuss the condition and long term plans for the golf course.
-) There was discussion regarding slow growth of the grass and how to contain the growth of poa annua so it would not take over.
 -) Marty Yerian explained that it has to do with chemicals and temperature. As the temperature rises, it slows the growth of poa annua.
 -) They are double verti-cutting the greens at this time.
 -) To rid the course of poa annua, you would have to close down for a year.
 -) The course is being treated with nitrogen, and they are watching the weather. They cannot spray in the wind.
 -) The question was asked about spraying the greens. Marty Yerian said it depends on what we are applying; the treatments can run \$4,000 to \$5,000 per treatment every 14 days or so.
 -) It was asked if treatment of the entire course was possible. Marty Yerian pointed out that they are at 76% of the budget right now, which includes the pump house repairs. He explained that the treatment of the lakes has been a big

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expense, too.

-) The lack of apron/collar around the greens, (transition grass from the fairway to the greens) was inquired about. Could there be some improvements made? Marty Yerian said they are currently treating with growth regulator, and the apron/collars are not growing right now. They have recently sprayed with fungicide so that it should begin to grow soon.
-) Marty Yerian pointed out that they used to soak the greens, but they have backed off.
-) He is going to go with two passes of growth chemicals around the aprons/collars.
-) There was extensive discussion of the tee boxes.
-) The 17th tee box needs to be built back up on the right-hand side, like 13th and 14th tee boxes.
-) They will look into repairs with sod.
-) Marci Freshour noted that the tee boxes at Elephant Rocks are not as bad as other courses' tee boxes.
-) Marty Yerian would like to tear up the 17th tee box and remove all the tree roots. There is uncertainty as to what might happen to the tree(s). We already have several dead trees on the course.
-) Andy Worthington outlined items to be addressed: 1. Create a pronounced apron/collar around the greens. 2. Repair the 17th and 5th tee boxes.
-) There was additional discussion on possibly bringing back bent grass even through it is choked out.
-) There was further discussion on poa annua grass, and how to eradicate it. Poa annua grass does not grow in high temperatures.
-) They will continue to verti-cut the greens and will apply sand in monsoon season.
-) Scott Little asked about the 14th tee box. Marty Yerian said he is going to hydro-seed it. It has nice coverage and will fill in nicely with the hydro seeding, but will sod it if necessary.

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III. REPORTS AND INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- A. Committee Members) Andy Worthington said how much he appreciates the golf course staff.

- B. City Staff) Marty Yerian noted that we do not have a lot of reserve water, and with the winds we have had, everything has dried out. We could store water if we could get the ponds cleaned out.
) Scott Little says things are going well. Customer feedback is great; the course is playing great. Business is starting to pick up, and we should recover from the slow start in the spring.

IV. ADJOURN The meeting adjourned at 5:54 p.m.

Chairperson

Attest
