

GOLF ADVISORY BOARD  
MEETING MINUTES – March 14, 2024

1. ROLL CALL

The Golf Advisory Board met on Thursday, March 14, 2024, at 4:30 p.m. Board members present: Pat Gilliam, Adam Klett, Philip Taylor, Kimberly Spencer, and Patti Brug. Staff present: Wayne Leighton (Golf Manager), Chris Colling (Current Head Golf Pro soon to be Golf Manager), and Benjamin Alexander (CPRD Business Manager). Public present: Todd Hampton

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Need to approve the minutes from the November 9<sup>th</sup> meeting as we did not have a quorum in January; no changes were noted. A motion was made by Philip Taylor to approve the minutes for November 9<sup>th</sup> and the motion was seconded by Kimberly Spencer and passed 5-0.

3. PUBLIC INPUT

Todd Hampton, who was a long time Parks & Recreation Advisory Board member, was in attendance to say thank you to Golf Manager Wayne Leighton who is retiring from the city effective April 3rd. Todd thanked Wayne for all his years of service and hard work. Board members also shared their thanks and well wishes for Wayne as he retires.

4. OLD BUSINESS

Fee Committee Report – In December the Board Chair and Wayne went through the committee reports and all the notes and information he received from the golf staff, their input and viewpoints, the report was sent out in January, and it was e-mailed to members to review and see where fees are. The Board Chair recommends that the Board adopt the 2025 fee structure. Fee increases are somewhere around 10% depending on the category. The major changes deal with play packages and how those are structured. The daily fees for rounds of 18 holes are in line with what we have been doing for over the past 20 years. There is a change to include a prime-time fee for 18 holes which would be an increase for Friday, Saturday, and Sunday from open to 11:00 a.m. That would be an additional green fee. Other than that, on those weekends after 11:00 o'clock then the regular fees would be in place. So just those morning rates when we have an increase in demand on the courses. Those fees would be more than the normal 10% increase. There hasn't been an increase in fees in two years. Wayne also added that seasonal wages have gone up 9% over the last couple of years, the budget this year is calculated at \$14.72 an hour for 7000 hours and we are probably going to run short. Utilities have also increased. When restructuring fees, we tried to go 10% to cover the shortfalls. Changes have also been made to the annual passes which were all collapsed into a 4-day senior pass which would be Monday thru Thursday. Will keep annual memberships for adults and seniors and adjusted that accordingly, carts remain the same. Wayne noted that memberships are not usable during Prime Time. Recommend the Resident/Non-Resident fee discussion be dropped at this time and no

change be made. A motion was made by Philip Taylor to adopt the proposed fee structure as presented and the motion was seconded by Adam Klett.

Motion passes 4-1.

## 5. NEW BUSINESS

New Board Member introduction: Patti Brug, a retired educator from Greeley's Dist.

6. who has been golfing since she was 22 years old was welcomed to the Board.

Tree Removal - 18 trees were removed over the winter at Highland, seven of which were Cottonwoods. The most notable, the large Cottonwood on the right-hand side of 18 by the bunker is gone now. John is removing a few trees at Boomerang but that is an internal job that will be done by Boomerang staff.

2024 CIP – The Boomerang deck. An artist rendering was passed out; project is on schedule for October 1 – November 15. The deck is considerably larger, almost double, with updated steps.

Irrigation design for Boomerang is a go this year with installation scheduled for next year.

The Highland Hills parking lot resurfacing is scheduled to be completed in the second half of 2024.

An electrical project is also scheduled for the second half of the year that may or may not take place.

ARPA – The Short Course which we are no longer calling SNAG because SNAG is a proprietary copyrighted name. The initial design has been proposed to us from the architect and they are going back to change a few things. Hopefully by the next meeting a rendering of the final design will be available with construction starting this Fall and ready for play late Spring/early Summer of 2025.

## 6. STAFF REPORTS

Moving forward, the Superintendents will not be attending the meetings, and their reports will be included with Chris' report. Any questions for the superintendents or staff should go to Chris and he will get answers. Starting March 15<sup>th</sup>, regular season rates will apply, off season rates ended today.

### Maintenance Report

Boomerang – the course is coming out of winter and all restrooms are open. The Boomerang irrigation system has been charged up. John will be aerifying the putting greens on April 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> and will be pulling large ½" cores so it will be with heavy sand top-dress

and may take 14 – 21 days for recovery depending on weather. He is also enlarging the fairways and approaches on holes 2,3,5,9 &15 which should make it more playable.

Highland. In addition to the trees being removed, Dwight is planning on charging the irrigation system on March 18<sup>th</sup> and will aerify on April 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>. Small tines will be used with a top-dress and those may be playable in 7-14 days based on weather. Forestry will begin removing the Russian Olive trees along 15 tee box due to them being an invasive tree.

#### 7. BUSINESS FOR NEXT MEETING

General review of golf courses

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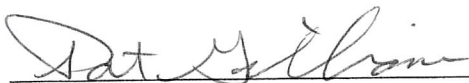
#### 8. NEXT MEETING

May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – Family FunPlex Community Room A

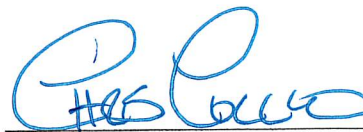
#### 9. ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Philip Taylor and seconded by Adam Klett. The meeting was adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:



Pat Gilliam, Board Chair



Chris Colling, Golf Manager