

Golf Board Minutes

April 5th, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 by Chairman Mike Bartlett at the Hillview Golf Course Club House. Attending the meeting were Mike Bartlett, Kristy Hight, Michael Keeton, Scott Bothun, Bryan Tipton, Hallie Getz, Vona Johnson, and Carin Hayn. Heidi Ruch, Boyd Conzemius, and Tom Farnsworth were absent.

A motion was made to approve the minutes from last meeting by Hight, seconded by Keeton, motion carried.

A motion was made to approve the agenda by Hight, seconded by Keeton, and motion carried.

STAFF REPORTS:

Carin Hayn, PGA Professional: Range opened on Friday, March 26th and then the course opened that Saturday. Ended up with 260 rounds in March. Have sold 290 season passes so far and last year sold 383 throughout the whole season. 54% of those that have gotten season passes also bought cart plan as well. 67% of the private cart owners have purchased for their storage or their user fees. There are 35 carts that have not paid for 2021 yet, which isn't unusual. April 22nd, they will host the Girl's Big Dakota tournaments, and then we also have the junior varsity and varsity tournaments those next two days. The 27th, they will also have their HLGA kick off event as well. Side notes is that the Mayor did approve the individual rider fee and staff have done a good job of advertising it. There hasn't been a lot of negative feedback on that.

Bartlett- Do you think that there will be a time that you will need to lease more carts?

Hayn- I think it will definitely be a discussion. This is year four for these carts so we will need to have that discussion next year.

Bartlett- Is there room for those?

Tipton- Yes.

Keeton- So is there not enough carts to go to 8 minute intervals?

Hayn- I think there would be eventually, but right now as we are getting ready early in the morning and the days get longer it will get easier.

Keeton- Is that something that you would want to do?

Hayn- I don't think that the 10- minute interval isn't getting enough attention for the better pace of play.

Bartlett- How many tee times would be added if you went from 10-minute to 8-minute?

Hayn- I would say around 12 for the whole day.

Bryan Tipton, Superintendent: March 22nd, the irrigation system was all filled. There was one leak that we were able to fix, but then that screwed up another one. They have a contract with Torro and was able to get help from them quickly. Ran the fountain over the weekend to make sure that was all working. Sounds like a lot of the other courses still have dormant greens as well. This is one of the earliest that we have had good greens. There were a couple bids that they received in to do drinking

fountains at the two bathrooms. The drinking fountains will be reverse osmosis as well. We had a salesman from Sioux falls that was out here last week that was impressed by the green of our fairways already as well.

Old Business:

Hayn- We did get some bids back from the outdoor furniture, but it was pretty spendy. Might look at other options, but this is on the back burner for now.

New Business:

Kristy Hight, HLGA- We have a meeting scheduled for tomorrow night. We are going to start Tuesday night league in May. We are going to do match play again as well. Deadline to sign up is May 11th.

Boyd Conzemius, OMGA: No report in Absence.

Hayn- The OMGA does have a calendar. May 4th is their opener. The SDGA has the handicap system open now as well. SDGA members should have gotten an email.

Keeton- If you don't have an email address, I think that Tom can help you get it set up.

Hayn- Yes, I think so but you just can't use their app.

With no further business, at 6:00, it was motioned by Hight to adjourn and seconded by Getz, motion carried. The next meeting will be May 3rd at the Hillsview Golf Course Club House.

Respectively submitted,
Hallie Getz