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Golf Course Advisory Committee Meeting

June 12, 2025

In Attendance: Chris Mulleavey (Chair); Councilor Nathan Fennessy; Councilor Jennifer Kretovic; Mack Bean; Gary Darby; Linda Mattlage; Charlie Randall; Craig Savage; Jim Tanner; Bob Whatmough; Pat Lanman; and Brian LeBrun.

Excused: Fran Hunt and Roger Jobin.

1) Approval of Meeting Minutes: A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the May 8, 2025 meeting. With a correction to Mr. Savage's first name being made, the minutes were approved with a unanimous voice vote.

2) Pro Shop Update:

- Pat noted that current memberships are up from this time last year.
- Rounds as of today are at 8,117, compared to 9,222 at this time last year. Rounds are down due to months of rainy Saturdays, three Saturdays of which the course had to close. In addition, the course opened up several weeks earlier last year.
- Daily grounds fee rounds are at 4,762.
- Total sales are up from this time last year.

3) Course Update:

- This year's irrigation project is underway and is about 50% complete. The contractor should be done and off site in 2-3 weeks. With the FY 2026 funding, the project will be completely done.

4) Direction for Rate Discussion in July:

- Deputy City Manager Brian LeBrun noted that, annually in July, the Golf Course Advisory Committee recommends rates for the upcoming season, which are submitted to City Council for their approval in August.
- Deputy City Manager LeBrun asked the Committee members if they have certain information they would like to discuss at the July meeting. He noted that, historically, the committee has provided three options – a low, a middle, and a higher rate increase for consideration.
- Deputy City Manager LeBrun indicated that, per the Finance Committee, a \$50 capital fee will be imposed starting next year on adult, non-resident passholders, and can be calculated as part of the rate recommendations.
- Councilor Fennessy suggested that we make reasonable increases in order to maintain rates that are affordable.

5) Old Business – Referral from City Council:

- Chair Mulleavey indicated that he is preparing a draft response for review.

6) New Business:

- Deputy City Manager LeBrun indicated that, at its June 9th meeting, the City Council approved \$150,000 for the parking lot, which includes a donation of \$43,000 from Ski the Beav' for snowmaking infrastructure under the parking lot. The project is projected to

start in the fall. He noted that the new parking lot will increase from 96 current parking spaces, to 146 spaces, with the potential to expand in the future if necessary.

- Deputy City Manager LeBrun indicated that the most recent clubhouse proposal made by the City Manager was passed by City Council, and that the plan is to break ground in the fall.

7) 5 Minutes of Public Input:

- There was no public input.

8) Adjournment:

- A motion was made and seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:46 AM with a unanimous voice vote.