

Golf Board Minutes

September 9, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 by Vice Chairman Kristy Hepper at Hillsview Clubhouse. Present at the meeting were Kristy Hepper, Bill Gordon, Carin Hayn, Bryan Tipton, Adam Kulesa, Tom Farnsworth, Boyd Conzemius, Karla Baus, Michael Keeton and Vona Johnson.

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

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Head Golf Professional Report- Carin Hayn: Hayn highlighted the rounds report noting the small increase in rounds over the prior August. Hayn also stated we had 3 state champions – Micheal Keeton and partner won the SDGA Mid-Am 2 man, John Knox won the senior division with a one stroke victory and Katie Bartlett and partner are the winners of the Woman's Amateur Division. Hillsview will be hosting the SDGA State Seniors August 22 & 23, 2020. And the High School State Girls Tournament in 2020. Revenues through August are behind about \$2000.

Highlights for August include the Desert Classic which was a very successful weekend even though the weather on Friday wasn't very good. Boys High School invite was held on a very windy August 19th. There were "12" holes in ones.

So far in September there was a Pierre Middle School event. They played the front 9 twice and that went very well. On the 11th there will be 48 players coming in with the "Waste Water Group". They will have a shotgun start at 8:00 a.m. There is the Big Dakota Boys (A school) coming in along with OMGA's modified one-man scramble. There will be the Superintendent's challenge on the 28th, Pierre JV on the 22nd and Region 3A with 30-35 competitors will be held on the 23rd and 30th. HLGa also had their club championship and the OMGA had their Stroke Play Championship.

Superintendent Report- Bryan Tipton: Tipton stated he is having the city run elevations for hole #2 as water is trapped in there and he needs to get it to drain in the right direction. Hole #11 which is by the river is backed up and without major construction, there is no fixing it. There are lots of dead trees in the wetland which they will try to get out this winter. XM Radio did an interview on the PGA Tour Network, CBS Sports channel about the inmates working at Hillsview. They will be coming to Hillsview to interview the girls along with shots of the golf course! Tipton also said that the bond for the pond liner has not been signed. The company is waiting for one more person to get back from vacation to sign it. He is hopeful to still line the pond yet this year.

Director of Parks and Recreation Report- Tom Farnsworth: Farnworth stated that the budget is about finalized with equipment that was requested included. The city is working with Carin on her new contract. The city is trying to get rid of the mosquitos; however, with it being so flooded along the river, it has been very difficult.

Old Business:

Golf Rock and Maintenance Updates: No update to report. Tipton stated he needs to put a "For Sale" sign on the rock and advertise it on Facebook. The rock will sell for \$3,000. Tipton also stated he will be calling Morris as the lettering on nine of the holes needs to be repainted.

Superintendent's Challenge: They would like to raise \$4500- \$5000 dollars to go towards the fountain. A picture of the fountain will be put on the posters. There was mention of having a raffle but a raffle needs to be approved by the commission prior to.

2020 Fees: Bothun brought a report to show comparable fees from Broadland Golf Course in Huron and Lakeview Golf Course in Mitchell. Those 2 courses' fees were a little lower than Hillsview. Broadland offers free golf to 14 year olds and younger. The majority agreed not to increase the Junior and Child membership fees. Discussion was had on a written policy for the \$3 per person tournament fee which will be discussed again at the October 7th meeting. This fee could possibly generate \$3000. A big concern was many events are held for fund raisers and they wouldn't want to chase anyone with a fee. Conzemius suggested whoever schedules the event pays the fee for how many golfers they will have. It could also be called a reservation fee as you are reserving the course. If the memberships were increased by 6% the subsidy from the city would be \$225,648 vs. \$240,928. It has been three years since they were last raised.

New Business:

1. HLGA report: Baus reported that we had our last 2-woman scramble on August 29th with a great turnout of 44 golfers. The club championship was held with 14 members playing and our end of the year dinner will be held October 3rd at the clubhouse.
2. OMGA report: Conzemius said their stroke play championship was held and they will have their 1-man scramble on Sept. 14th.
3. Other – Flag Colors: Having flag colors is more labor intensive. Having the flag colors is basically for the people who don't have range finders. Even if we used the color flags, you still need a range finder as our greens are so big. The question should be put on the survey this year to see how many people really want the different colored flags.

With no further business, at 6:28 it was motioned by Gordon, and seconded by Keeton to adjourn, motion carried. The next meeting will be October 7th at the clubhouse.

Respectively submitted,

Karla Baus, HLGA President