Lincoln Municipal Golf Advisory Committee meeting minutes

Location:	Parks & Recreation Administration Office, 3131 O Street, Third Floor
Date:	Thursday, February 23, 2023
Time:	12:00 p.m.
Attendees:	Members Present: Bill Allen, Mike Calvert, Matt Herman, Dann Husmann, Todd Johnson, Casey Karges, Sherrie Nelson, Tammy Poe
	Members Absent: Jason Hutchison, Claudia Pankoke
	Staff Members Present: Wade Forman, Casey Crittenden, Scott Carlson, Chris Myers, Sandra Finn, Kyle Oakley, Tim Rowland, Jonathan Benson, Pam Hoffman

Agenda items

1. Call to Order: Sherrie Nelson called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

   Approval of previous minutes: Approval of minutes from the January 26, 2023, meeting. Minutes approved by roll call. Motion to approve: Matt Herman, seconded by Bill Allen.

2. Public Comment: None.

3. Review of Reports:

   Monthly Report: January rounds ended up at 1,780 for the month. February had some rounds due to some temperatures in the 40s and 50s. Fiscal Year-to-date rounds are 51,456 though the end of January.

   Mary Hoelscher retired February 1st after 27 years of service to Lincoln Parks and Recreation.

   January received some rain and snow which will help protect the turfgrass. Hopefully more precipitation will be received.

   Maintenance updates – Work continues on equipment with crews carefully checking each piece of equipment for any necessary repairs, which takes a lot of time. Working on removal of dead pine trees and trimming other trees. Controllers are in but need to be wired, probably will be completed by the end of the month.

Monthly Rounds: January rounds ended up at 1,780 for the month. February has 1,600 rounds so far. March, April, & May will see the number of rounds begin to increase, so we hope for good weather. December 2022 expense of $61,874 for a couple of pieces of equipment.

Financial/CIP: December had nothing out of the ordinary for revenue and expenses. Working with Olsson Associates on cart path designs. Have final plans and can go out to bid for contractors. $268,000-$300,000 is the estimate to do the paths at Mahoney, about $500,000 estimate each for Pioneers & Holmes, and over $1 million is the estimate for Highlands. Estimates are partially based on concrete costs and the length of the cart paths.

Mike Calvert asked if the design could be shared with the facilities subcommittee. Wade Foreman said he could get them a copy in the form that the committee can view. Sherrie Nelson asked if bench placement could be reviewed as it is not always convenient for the ladies' tees and others are in really odd spots that no one is going to use.

CIP funds: dipping lower for now but should climb out in the next few months. Matt Herman – Have we ever had an estimate of how many rounds we need to break even? Wade Foreman – can put a cost per round but there is also revenue for memberships, lounges, driving range, etc. Matt Herman – want to make sure what the cost is before considering any kind of discounts for seniors or others. Mike Calvert – the profit/loss statement is direct reflection of activity that generates revenue. How much of a revenue stream comes from daily fees, how much of a daily revenue stream comes from memberships, etc.

Buckets – Maggie sent email about the transfer to Finance, and it is done. It will be reflected on the January report when we receive it.

4. Golf Organizations Updates:

A. Lincoln Municipal Golf Association: Presented by Mike Calvert. Last meeting brought forth military discount for LMGA and it was approved. Logistics need to be worked out for how that will look. Schedule of events is posted. Adding ongoing Match Play event beginning in May. It's an ambitious endeavor but trying it as an experiment. Having a chili feed on March 11th to roll out event to members and it will be at Mahoney. Will be having a sign up for membership.

B. Lincoln Women's Municipal Golf Association: Presented by Tammy Poe/Sherrie Nelson. Kickoff event for the season is on April 1st with a Brunch at Holmes. Tournament schedule is set and courses are booked. 90th Anniversary of the Women's City Tournament. Have a list of all winners since 1932. Inner Club Match Play Tournaments. Have partnered with Woodland Hills in the past but looking at other courses, possibly Highlands or another city course. Woodland Hills wants to charge $65, instead of the previous $40-45. Last time the group played there, there was an issue with what was included with play.

C. Lincoln Senior Golf League: League Play and Fun Days. Found in scheduling these that run into some issues with costs at private courses and have had to drop those. The private courses recognize they get more fees with day play versus seniors. Registration for 2023 season is open March 1st to April 15th. 18 divisions and runs 14 weeks. Have a one week break over the 4th of July. $40 per member and $20 for subs and subs are eligible for Fun Days. Expect membership to stay steady or possibly have a slight increase. Members must be 60 years old or grandfathered in. Schedule is identical to last year, rotating through the courses each week. May see play drop off as people go back to the office. Season finishes

the second week of August. August 23rd event is at Highlands and Pioneers and includes a meal. Last three weeks of October will have final events at the city courses.

5. Old Business: Software upgrade is going fairly well. Getting used to the system. Been sending out information on how golfers can get into their new account. Have to build a few more links to book tee times and finish credit card set up at Holmes. Tee times will be visible soon. Sherrie Nelson mentioned she had a weird issue when trying to add a credit card to account. It said it was going to charge the card. Wade Foreman said he would check into it. With new system, if people have a tee time and the course is closed, those people will get an email that it is closed. Sherrie Nelson asked if there was a way to communicate if the course is open or not on the website. Wade Foreman was going to check with Kat Scholl about the possibility of having something that would let people know if the course is open or closed.

6. New Business: None.

Meeting adjourned at 12:57 p.m. Motion to adjourn – Bill Allen, seconded by Matt Herman.

Meeting minutes prepared by Pam Hoffman, Office Specialist.

Next meeting Thursday, March 23, 2023