

Nampa Golf Commission Meeting Minutes 7/20/21

Attending: Scott Jacobsen, Steve Wilson, Todd Durbin, John Nielsen, June York, Brandon Crim, Darrin Johnson, Jennifer Ayala-Vanderpool, Craig Stensgaard, John Lewis, Charlie Denham, Rick Hogaboam

Absent: Linda Estes, Scott Nicholes

Meeting called to order at 9:03 AM by Commission Chairman Scott Jacobsen.

Minutes: Motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the minutes of 6/15/21.

Financial Reports: John Lewis reported for Centennial that revenue was up over last year, which has been consistent the entire year. Scott Nicholes reported via email the same, noting that revenue continues to be up despite the heat and now smoke. Darrin Johnson noted a large capital purchase for Ridgecrest in May, a new greens mower. This was a routine equipment replacement they plan for in advance for each course. Otherwise, expenses were normal for the period. Motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the financial reports.

Operations/Course Conditions Reports: Brandon Crim reported for Centennial that they continue aggressive watering, made somewhat easier recently with the hazy skies. They continue to work around short staffing issues. They've started top-dressing going into August with many tournaments on the schedule. Todd Durbin reported that he played in the one-day stroke play and found the course to be in good condition, and that greens were smooth and good speed. The new cart path down the hill to the back nine turned out great. He did note that he thought the OB on the left between #5 fairway and #6 green could use one or two additional stakes so it is better marked. Brandon Crim indicated they could do that. Todd also mentioned he thought the staff did a good job cleaning up after a recent storm that downed branches and a few trees. Brandon Crim indicated that they would be replacing the trees. Charlie Denham reported for Ridgecrest that they also lost a few trees, and that like Centennial less watering is needed with the smoke. They top-dressed greens yesterday. They are fighting "Fairy Ring," which is a fungus, in a few places. They are treating it now and will do additional treatments next spring to try to prevent it recurring. Craig Stensgaard reported that several of his NNU golf team members that play regularly have commented to him that both Ridgecrest and Centennial are in the best condition of most of the courses they've played in the valley. Craig also mentioned that Banbury recently raised green fees, and now may represent the top of the market in the valley in terms of cost to play.

Public Relations Reports: Steve Wilson read a written public relations report for Centennial from Linda Estes. It begins with "Hot Weather!!" Junior golf camps were held June 14-17 and July 19-22. University of Idaho held a scramble on 6/18 with 120 players. Idaho Jr. Golf Assoc. held an event on 6/22 with 46, 9-hole players. SNAG Golf was held on 6/23-24 and 7/8-9. A CMGA event was held on 6/26 with 72 players. A CLGA "Challenge" was held on 7/10 with 38 players, and the CMGA 6-6-6 tournament was held on 7/17 with 108 players. June York reported for Ridgecrest that the Idaho Western golf tournament was held on 6/18 with 120+ players. RMGA held a 27-hole shoot-out on 6/19. A soccer team from Hawaii played foot golf on the Wee Nine on 6/21. PGA Jr. League matches and Get Golf Ready were both held on 6/22. The RMGA concluded spring league on 6/23. A First Tee Second Chance tournament and banquet, and Ladies Sip N' Chip were held on 6/25. The RLGGA hosted a 2-Lady Best-ball on 6/26.

Treasure Valley Links Players held a reverse shotgun with 52 players on 7/8. Franklin Building Supply held an outing on the Wee Nine with 20 players and lunch following on 7/10. The RMGA Match Championship was held on 7/10-11, and congratulations to Golf Commission Chairman Scott Jacobsen for his win. The 2nd session of Get Golf Ready concluded on 7/13. The Rocky Mtn. Section of the PGA Senior Championship was held on 7/13-14. A 2-Lady Best-ball Member/Guest was held on 7/17. The 2nd session of Junior camps started on 7/19. Motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the Operations/Course Conditions and Public Relations reports.

Old Business

- **Property Update:** Darrin Johnson reported that a new one-year lease has been signed for the courses with Department of Health & Welfare (DHW). This to allow more time for negotiations between DHW and the city to buy the courses. Representatives from DHW toured the courses on 6/30 with Darrin, John Lewis and Scott Nicholes. DHW indicated that they would like to take the month of July to review the appraisal of the courses commissioned by the city. Both sides will be working on reviewing survey boundaries and water rights. They will talk again in August.

New Business

- **Pepsi Youth Golf Scholarships:** One application was received for a reduced fee youth scholarship. After reviewing the application and discussion, motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the application.
- **Annual Golf Commission Golf Outing:** The annual golf outing for the Commission will be held in September and finalized at the August meeting.

Adjournment: There being no further business, motion was made, seconded and passed to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 AM.

Next Meeting: The next meeting is scheduled for August 17th at 9:00 AM in the Mayor's Conference Room. Attendance may be in person or online.

Respectfully submitted by Steve Wilson, Commission Secretary.