Special Nampa Golf Commission Meeting
9/23/19

Attending: June York, Linda Estes, Scott Jacobsen, Steve Wilson, Dave Clausen, Bobby Kincaid, Craig Stensgaard (via phone), Mayor Debbie Kling, Clay Long, Victor Rodriguez, Darl Bruner, Randy Aldridge, Mike Gee, Paul Schaffeld, John Lewis, Scott Nicholes

Meeting called to order at 5:05 PM by Commission Chairman Scott Jacobsen

Not Executive Session: Scott Jacobsen was advised by city staff that the Commission could not adjourn to executive session to discuss the possible purchase of the golf courses from Department of Health & Welfare (DHW) because the issue is between two government entities, not a government entity and a private party. Motion was made, seconded and passed stating that this meeting was not an executive session.

Mayor Kling reported on her meeting with DHW Director David Jeppesen. The appraisal commissioned by DHW has been completed by Integra Realty Resources of Boise. DHW is also conducting research into water rights on the property as well as a deed search. Mayor Kling indicated that she believes both Director Jeppesen and Governor Little would like to see the City of Nampa acquire the property in order to continue the operation of the golf courses. She also indicated that she felt there were several areas/conclusions in the appraisal that the city may disagree with or want to give DHW feedback on. Director Jeppesen offered to partner with the city on an independent third-party assessment of the appraisal to ensure that it included all relevant information. The Mayor indicated she would like to do that. She would also like to form a working group to come up with a list of comments, concerns and relevant information that should be considered and presented to DHW. She suggested that the working group consist of designated city staff, a Golf Commission member, a city council member and a private citizen. She then asked for comments or questions.

Darrin Johnson discussed some numbers and conclusions a previous working group had come up with regarding a possible purchase of the property.

Craig Stensgaard indicated that the current lease agreements provide that if the State takes back the property, Ridgecrest would be returned to the state with improvements as-is, but the Centennial lease has no such requirement. Darrin Johnson agreed and gave an overview of the current lease agreements.

Darl Burner indicated that the City Council has the final say on any rezoning that would have to take place in order to develop the property if it’s not sold to the city to continue operation of the golf courses. There was additional discussion with respect to the current zoning on the property.

Victor Rodriguez agreed that we should give DHW feedback on any areas or conclusions the appraiser made that we believe are incorrect or that we disagree with.

Mayor Kling asked for the Golf Commission to appoint one of its members to serve on the working group, along with city staff. After brief discussion, Steve Wilson was appointed to the working group, which will be coordinated by Darrin Johnson. Mayor Kling would like to have the group’s recommendations within three weeks.

Adjournment: Motion was made, seconded and passed to adjourn at 6:25 PM.