

***Golf Advisory Board
Kearney, Nebraska
January 27, 2015
5:30 p.m.***

A meeting of the Golf Advisory Board of the City of Kearney, Nebraska, was convened in an open and public session at 5:30 p.m. on January 27, 2015, at the Park & Recreation Office, 2005 1st Avenue, Kearney NE 68847. Present were: Pam Pearson, Chet Graham, Jim Van Amburg, Nick Erdman. Absent: Tim Hughbanks, Ken Nikels. City Staff present was Dave James, Golf Services Manager; Dan Knipping, Golf Superintendent; and Robyn Bowman, Recording Secretary.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Kearney Hub, the designated method for giving notice, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes. Advance notice of the meeting was also given to the Chairman and Board Members of the Golf Advisory Board. Availability of the Agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Golf Advisory Board. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Board Member Pearson announced that in accordance with Section 84-1412 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes, a current copy of the Open Meetings Act is available for review and is posted towards the back of the room.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Pearson seconded by Erdman, that the minutes of the Golf Advisory Board meeting held on November 18, 2014 be approved. All those present voted Aye. Nay: None. Absent: Hughbanks, Nikels. Motion carried.

GOLF COURSE MANAGER REPORT

The board reviewed the current rounds of golf to date that James presented. The report showed that from October to January there was a total of 80 more rounds played than projected this fiscal year. January year to date had 151 actual rounds played with 114 projected.

James also reported on Staff Projects that were completed. Projects completed included; a new website, CIP equipment upgrade for maintenance with two fairway, two green mowers being purchased, two tee mowers being purchased, and new golf carts out to bid. CIP building projects included new carpet, Clubhouse ceiling repair, new countertops and bathroom upgrades. New tables and chairs for concession area. The maintenance shop is ready to be moved into and staff has ordered a new air compressor, lift and vise for the new building.

The three companies that are bidding for golf carts are: Club Car, E-Z-GO and Yamaha. James stated that he didn't have a preference and feels all carts are adequate for the job. It will come down to best price at decision time.

The 2015 Golf Programs were reviewed with James stating that the Ladies League will be scheduled on the back 9 maybe twice a month especially following an outing and that is something that the Ladies League have been requesting. James told the board that there has been discussion about the possibility of having club matches at Meadowlark using the format of interclub ran by the NGA instead of participating in the men's interclub league. Staff will continue to investigate this idea.

GOLF MAINTENANCE REPORT

Staff is in the process of moving into the new shop but equipment maintenance is still being done in the old building until lift is set up at new one. New work benches, desks and shelving is being purchased for the new shop. With the temperatures above 50 staff has started hand watering the greens. Knipping stated that it's hard to know how much water to put on because you don't want to start new growth and then have weather turn cold again. They will continue to monitor the greens and course during the remainder of the winter.

PROJECT REQUESTS DISCUSSION

The board reviewed the Action List of projects that had been established previously. James stated that several of the projects have been completed but asked the board if they are any new projects to add. New projects discussed included: lengthening Hole 14, Hole in One Club, construct bunkers on 12 and 18, fill in part of bunker on 15 and drainage around road needs to be investigated.

ADJOURN

A motion to adjourn was made by Erdman, and seconded by Graham. The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m. All those present voted Aye. Nay: None. Absent: Hughbanks, Nikels. Motion carried.

ROBYN BOWMAN
RECORDING SECRETARY