Golf Advisory Board Monday, April 22, 2013 Minutes

Meeting called to order at 3:30 p.m.

Members Present: Cam Cherry, Lonnie Yingst, Roy Aafedt Members Absent: Steve Vielleux, David Nelson,

Staff present: Marty Basta, Connie Cramer-Caouette, Keith Hollenback, Wade Altschwager, Patty Rearden

Approval of Minutes

With no corrections or additions to the minutes from February, 2013 (last board meeting), Board motioned to approve as written. Motion carried and approved.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Marty Basta

- Good start to golf season; nice weather and courses are in good shape; thanks to staff; have had lots of good comments
- Budgets due to City Manager May 20 (Fiscal Year: July 1, 2013 June 30, 2014)

MANAGER'S REPORT

Connie Cramer-Caouette

- Best golfing weather we've ever had in March; worst ever in April; good revenue for March
- Lost a good tournament last Tuesday due to weather
- Teaching three days of Lifetime Sports for CMR
- Leadership Great Falls will visit Eagle Falls in May
- UGF-- Monday, May 6, 5:00-7:00 p.m., use driving range for fundraiser, must buy range balls
 - Possibly use limited flight range balls, so they don't go over fence
 - They will mark the driving range
- Pro Shop at Eagle Falls looks great; have purchased more products this year; working on Anaconda Hills displays
 - o Great clubs this year (Titleist drivers and irons), Rep is coming to train Connie
- One tee sign left to sell
- Went to Supervisor Training last week

SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

Keith Hollenback, Eagle Falls Golf Club Superintendent

• Greens came out good (comments from Connie and Board -- look great)

- Covers worked better on some of the greens than others; try at least one more year
- \$1,200-\$1,500 per green to buy covers (ones we used were given to us); could possibly be as high as \$3,000
- Working on bunkers; booters helping; 7 of the worst ones are done
- Island on west side of the landscaping in the parking lot is ripped out; need to add fill dirt and then ready to sod
- Weather permitting, aerating Wednesday and Thursday

Wade Altschwager, Anaconda Hills Golf Course Superintendent

- Number 7 pond blew out; flooded 7 & 8 and 3; is now repaired
- Working on landscaping in front of the Pro Shop; will try to keep it up throughout the summer
- Out of bounds along number nine in front of Pro Shop is marked now
- Aerated last Friday (postponed from Wednesday, due to snow)
- Working on bunker on number 12

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINES

Wedding Ceremony

Request for a wedding in September at Eagle Falls. Permitted it once before, fee of \$75. That event didn't present any problems. We gave her permission to do so under same terms. 20-25 minute ceremony; no one hitting on #18 at that time. They will remove chairs immediately following ceremony.

Golf Board Appointments

Cam Cherry's (Women's Golf Association) and Lonnie Yingst's (at large) terms expired March 31. Both are eligible for reappointment.

Motion made to recommend appointment of Cam Cherry and Lonnie Yingst to the Golf Advisory Board to the City Commission. Motion seconded and approved.

Election of Officers

Lonnie Yingst nominated Cam Cherry for Chairman, seconded, motion carried. Roy Aafedt nominated Lonnie Yingst for Vice Chairman, seconded, motion carried.

Keith & Wade's Revenge tournament

- Saturday, June 1, 2013
 - \circ $\,$ Chances of success better at Eagle Falls than Anaconda Hills.
 - Some discussion at Anaconda Hills last year that they didn't want to participate since it was at Eagle Falls, at that time it was said that it would move to Anaconda Hills

- Wade indicated he believed it would be better to have it at the course that the improvements would be made at even if there would be less revenue
- At the January meeting, concern was expressed that they would not get enough participation at Anaconda Hills
- Perception out there that Anaconda Hills is the lesser of courses
- Use the proceeds for an Anaconda Hills project
 - Potential projects -- cart path improvement/landscape improvement (curbing, cart paths, Russian Olive removal, landscaping near Pro Shop)
- Play at Anaconda Hills; if it doesn't go well it will remain at Eagle Falls in future years
 - Original plan was to switch off courses
 - All valid passes are honored during tournaments; that needs to be emphasized on the publicity
 - \$25/player -- greens fee (discounted from weekend rate); prizes, charge for carts; teams of five
 - Same prizes as 2012

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Board

Roy Aafedt: Striping is an issue at the entrance of Eagle Falls. Marty will talk to the City (Jerry McKinley); will also ask Jerry who to contact about entrance at Anaconda Hills. Need a new inside handle on porta potty between #2 & 3 at Eagle Falls?

With no further business meeting adjourned. (4:45 p.m.)