

IRONHORSE
Golf Club



GOLF COURSE COMMITTEE
March 25, 2004 – 5:30 p. m.

Committee members in attendance were Dick Fuller (chairman), Councilman Lou Rasmussen, John Campbell, Bobby Davidson, Jim Dickson, Scott Gullede, Charles Lewis, and Bob Reid. Chris Claxton, Parks and Recreation Director, Pete Spratlin, Shane Gardner and Matt Roberts of IRONHORSE were also in attendance.

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m.

A motion was made by John Campbell to approve the minutes from the February 26, 2004 meeting. Lou Rasmussen seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Report on Recent Vandalism

Pete discussed the vandalism on 3/16/04 at the golf course. Two kids came on the golf course and made holes in the greens, pulled up fence posts, broke fence rails, damaged ball washers, garbage cans, etc. The juveniles were arrested and they both confessed. The damage was about \$290.00.

Dick wanted to know if a restraining order could be issued against these kids. John Campbell said that it could be a condition of their probation.

Pete said that the officer was going to charge the kids with trespassing.

Dick asked if we could post a warning stating a fine for damage to the property. John Campbell said that it is set by statute.

Lou suggested that Chris report back to the committee at the next meeting as to what the City has done.

General Operations Report

Matt reported that March was coming along very nicely despite the rain. Memberships sales have been very good and they have sold 93 triple crowns and 7 junior triple crowns. Sales for junior triple crowns should pick up in May. They have sold 38 conductor's club. The competitive association (former men's association) has maxed out and there are seven on the waiting list.

Matt said that they would be closing on Monday, April 5th to aerify the greens.

Matt said that in March's financials the triple crown rounds would be broken out of the total rounds.

Lou Rasmussen asked if they had received the new amortization on the refinancing of the bonds. Chris said that she would check with Kathy Rogers for the updated financial information.

Course and Project Update

Pete said that the course is in pretty good shape. They have started the fertilization program. Where they did get flooded the course is greening up very quickly. The bunker repair was done in-house in order for the funds to be retained for other projects. All of the areas that washed away were previously scheduled to be fixed. The river pump had to be repaired. The #14 bunkers and surrounds received significant damage from the Ironhorse Center Development. Snyder Brothers was called to renovate the bunker. There was discussion about the new development at the northeast corner and the volume of water coming through the pipes and how that will affect the course. Dick Fuller suggested that Chris follow up with the Planning Department.

#16 is also gaining more water coming from Whitehorse. During any kind of rain it becomes a lake. The improvements that will be made as a result of the flood damage should work to keep the water in the channel. Jim Dickson suggested a retention pond. Bobby Davidson suggested building a berm on the west side of #14 for protection.

Irrigation Extension

Pete said that Mayor Dunn signed the contract March 22nd. We just need to get a notice to proceed and they can start right away. Pete explained the looping of an irrigation system. It was decided that the looping of the system was needed. Chris explained the funding of the projects. There will be more money spent on the irrigation system to include the looping, leaving less money available for fencing this year. Pete said that some of the concrete project might be done in-house.

Fencing Issue

Chris felt that the planning commission had all the facts. Chris pointed out that all of the fences have some type of finial on top except at the Village of Ironhorse.

Planning staff had recommended to the planning commission that finials be added to the top of the fence to match the other perimeter styles. The commission felt that it met the "intent". The City Administrator requested that the committee make a recommendation to the governing body on how they would like to see the fence style rectified. The committee discussed the options Charles Lewis made a motion to follow the recommendation of the planning staff, which was to add the finials on top. Further- that if anything happens to the fence, it has to come back to the City's original full standards. Jim Dickson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Update on SMAC Project (#13)

Council approved the project March 22nd.

USGA Visit

The USGA may visit sometime in late July or early August.

Misc.

Jim Dickson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Charles Lewis seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chris Claxton, Director
Parks & Recreation