

LOVELAND GOLF ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES
01/23/13
PARKS AND RECREATION CONFERENCE ROOM

PRESENT: Robert Walkowicz, Jim Corlett, Jerry Weitzel, Julie Nelson, Jon Krizman, Jim Thompson, Noel Mickelson, Jan Wall
ABSENT: Michael Ford, Tom O’Gorman
STAFF: Steve Southard, Andrea Sheldon,
COUNCIL: Daryle Klassen

Notice of meeting posted.

Robert Walkowicz called the regular meeting of the Loveland Golf Advisory Board to order Wednesday, January 23, 2013 at 5:15 pm.

Welcome Steve Southard welcomed Tom O’Gorman and Jan Wall who will be serving as new Board members and thanked Jerry Weitzel for agreeing to remain on the Board as an alternate.

Minutes The minutes for the 10/24/12 were approved as submitted.

Citizen Comments None

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

Election of Officers Robert Walkowicz opened the floor for nominations for chair, vice chair, and Junior Golf Board Liaison.
Action: Robert Walkowicz was elected as Chair, Julie Nelson was elected as Vice Chair, and Jan Wall was appointed as Junior Golf liaison.

Review Of 2012 Accomplishments and 2013 Priorities Robert opened the discussion for making final the 2012 accomplishments and 2013 priorities.
Action: The 2012 accomplishments were approved as submitted. The 2013 priorities were unanimously approved as:

- 1. Work with Staff on 2014 Golf Fund balance projections, 2014 operation budgets, revenue projections and fee setting policies along with updating 2014 – 2019 capital improvement projects schedule*
- 2. Work with Staff in continuing a Family Golf Initiative for the Loveland Golf courses.*
- 3. Work with Staff to launch a “Play by the Distance” effort at The Olde Course at Loveland; plan and open new tee*

options at The Olde Course during 2013

**Annual Boards and
Commissions Summit
S.W.O.T. Work Paper**

Robert reviewed the Boards and Commission Summit information. Julie Nelson and Jan Wall volunteered to attend. Steve distributed a handout and asked the Board to write down their opinions on the perceived Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats (S.W.O.T.) of the Loveland Golf Division. Handouts were collected but not discussed. Staff also completed this type of analysis at a Divisional meeting.

6:00 p.m. Jim Corlett
leaves

NON-ACTION/INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Denver Golf Expo

Andrea Sheldon reviewed the information included in the packet and asked the Board to consider volunteering for a shift. Interested Board members should contact Andrea or Winston Howe.

GAB Calendar

Andrea reviewed the packet information. The 2014 City budget schedule has not been set yet, however the Board will most likely begin 2014 budget planning sessions in March. Board members need to be prepared to propose any new fees, programs, budget line items, etc. at a very early stage of the season. The 2014 budget will be offered for final G.A.B. recommendation during the May or June meeting.

**Summary of 2012 vs.
2011 rounds**

Steve Southard distributed a handout reflecting rounds played 2012 vs. 2011. Overall play was up; however, this is most likely due to the weather and drought (not as many bad weather days). The Loveland golf courses are currently in a financially favorable position compared to some other area courses.

Youth Golf Report

Jan Wall reported that the Jr. Golf Board has done away with offering scholarships to high school students. There were very few applications in any one year. Fundraising events include hosting a second ball drop and moving the fundraising tournament away from Mariana Butte to Cattail to hopefully gain more family participation.

**Council Liaison
Report**

Councilor Klassen discussed the legalized marihuana issue and reported that the City has put a moratorium on retail sales through 9/2013. The Water Department is looking at a significant and sustained increase to water rates to try to pay for massive unfunded improvements. The annual Council "Advance" is on 01/26/2013

**Golf Operations
Manager Report**

- Steve shared that the Fort Collins golf division does not have enough funds for irrigation system improvements and is now considering wrapping those costs into a general Parks and Recreation tax ballot measure.
- Working on improvements to the eating area of The Olde

**Board Member
Comments**

- Course including a new door to the patio.
- 5 people from Saddleback came to see and play the Mini-Course at Cattail Creek
- Have been asked to speak to the PGM in Colorado Springs
- Have received first call regarding smoking pot on the golf course and if it is allowed and where.
- Julie Nelson: Maybe consider a “sibling fee” at Cattail to make it more affordable for families
- Noel Mickelson: Is there an emergency water plan in place for the golf courses. Steve – yes and will implement if needed

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

/S/ Robert Walkowicz, Chair