

GONZALES INDEPENDENCE GOLF COURSE ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

MINUTES for May 10, 2017

Meeting called to order at 12:04 by President, Jon Such and a quorum declared.

Public Comments: Mayor Connie Kacir and City Manager, Sean Lally along with GEDC representatives Crissy O'Neal and Genora Young spoke to the board concerning the application to the GEDC Board for equipment for the golf course. One application can be made for a matching grant for a Zero Radius Turn mower. The amount will be determined when a true amount is secured. Matching funds not to exceed 15k will come from the monies made during the past tournament hosted by the course. A second application can be made for a fairway and greens mower. If the course follows proper guidelines set forth by the GEDC board, this final application of funds for equipment would be forgiven after a 5-year term.

Those in attendance were:

- Advisory Directors: Doug Kotzebue, Debbie Tieken, Jon Such, Doyle Allen, and Floyd Rogers,
- Course Superintendent: Marty Ficken
- Parks and Recreation Director, Tim Patek
- Mayor, Connie Kacir, City Manager, Sean Lally, GEDC Executive Director, Genora Young and GEDC Board President, Crissy O'Neal.

Minutes from the April meeting were reviewed and approved by motion from D. Allen and second by D. Kotzebue. Motion carried.

D. Tieken reported on final revenues from the 2-day golf tournament benefitting the course. \$8694.73 was netted after all expenses.

S. Lally reported that he is currently securing monies to begin the process of leasing rental carts for the course.

D. Allen reported the increased play from GJHS and GHS students. Also, golf teams from surrounding schools are practicing at the course. There is not a fee structure for out of town schools using the course for practice times. Policies must be put into place to address a fees structure for all play after the school golf season. Currently, all students are playing at no charge. The discussion was tabled for the following meeting.

Jon addressed the board concerning the applications needed for mowing equipment for the golf course and RV park. Bids secured by Marty are as follows:

- Fairway and greens mower -- \$80,373.90,
- Zero Radius Turn mower -- \$7,213.57 – matching grant.

D. Allen made the motion to apply to GEDC for a matching grant in the amount of \$7,213.57 for a Zero Radius Turn mower. Second by F. Rogers. After discussion motion carried. A motion by D. Allen to apply to GEDC for a loan in the amount of \$80,373.90 to purchase a fairway and greens mower was made. Second by F. Rogers. After discussion motion carried. The Advisory Board will petition that this loan amount be a forgivable loan amount. D. Tieken will write the 2 applications on behalf of the Advisory Board for the City of Gonzales.

Superintendent's Report

- Continuing discussion with Yamaha about rental cart agreement.
- Verti cutting is continuing and tee boxes are being aerated. A spring and mid-summer aeration schedule is being applied.
- Greens are 90% covered from winter kill and Poanna is being treated.

Parks and Recreation Director's Report

- No report

Financial Report

- No financial report available from city hall.

The next meeting is scheduled for June 14, 2017 at the clubhouse.
Motion to adjourn by F. Rogers and second by D. Allen. Motion carried.