

**ALAMEDA GOLF COMMISSION  
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING**

**Tuesday, May 8, 2018**

**1 CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Ed Downing the called the regular meeting to order at approximately 6:32 p.m. in Room 360, City Hall, 2263 Santa Clara Ave, Alameda, CA 94501

**1-A ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Chair Ed Downing, Vice-Chair Cheryl Saxton, Commissioner Ron Taylor, Commissioner Ron Carlson, and Commissioner Joe Van Winkle

**Absent:** None

**Staff:** Greenway Golf Ken Campbell, Recreation and Parks Patrick Russi

**Also Present:** None

**1-B APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**2 ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

None

**3 COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS**

The Golf Commission had a moment of silence for Norma Arnerich

Commissioner VanWinkle stated they will be a charity fundraising tournament on July 21 to benefit NCGA Youth on Course and Alameda Junior Golf

**4 WRITTEN/ORAL REPORTS**

**4-A 4-A Beautification Program and Junior Golf Club**

Connie Wendling stated that Marc Logan is working on the memorial plaques.

#### **4-B Golf Complex Restaurant Report, Jim's on the Course**

Tom Geanekos stated that instead of replacing all the windows, which are still in good condition, they are going to paint the aluminum black to coincide with the pro shop prior to the opening of the south course. Also, the fire pits will be installed as well. They are also reconfiguring the snack area which will be smaller but more functional as there will be two registers to move customers through more quickly.

The plans for the event center should be submitted to the building department next week. They are hoping to begin construction by the end of July and hope to be open by September or October. The back of the restaurant will be cleaned up when the patio is finished, and then that area will be fenced off. The event center will be shipped when they have received final approval and will arrive in about 30 days.

#### **5-A Discuss Corica Park Marshall/Ambassador Program**

Chair Downing recused himself as he is currently a Marshall. Ken Campbell stated that he met with the marshall leads for their feedback, and the question came up regarding free golf with the new south course opening, and he stated that there were still be privileges, but will be due to availability, but will be finalized in the next few weeks.

#### **5-B Facility and Renovation Report by Greenway Golf**

Mr. Campbell introduced Alex Iguchi, the new Director of Golf.

Mr. Campbell stated that the windows for the pro shop have been reordered and will be installed when they arrive, and there will be a grand opening at that time. Discounts will be given to Alameda residents as well as the service club members for the Linksoul merchandise in the pro shop.

The patio is almost complete, and should be ready the end of next week. The dedicated gas lines have been completed, so the firepits can be installed. The putting green drainage is being completed and then can be sand capped and seeded.

June 25<sup>th</sup> is the date for closing nine holes of the north for renovation. They will be offering nine hole play, showing a plan of the hole layout. The fee structure will be for unlimited play for the day. Cart rates will be reduced to \$10.00.

Signs are being prepared as well as photos for the upcoming south opening, as well as setting up the POS system for tee times. An online tee time portal will be available for Alameda residents. Early reservation fees will be charged at \$10.00 per person for tee times made 8-30 days prior. An Alameda County resident card will be available for \$159 per year which will give them Alameda resident rates. NCGA members will receive a preferred rate.

June 22 will be opening day for the south course, with several events being held prior including a media day on June 20. The Founders club will be playing on the Monday

prior. June 15 will be the ribbon cutting ceremony, which includes walking tours of the golf course. The cart paths will not be completely finished. The clubhouse and restrooms will be done at a later date. New signs will be posted at the entrances.

Mike McMahon asked about the routing of the north holes, stating that walking from the 6<sup>th</sup> green to the 11<sup>th</sup> tee box, they will be walking through the 7<sup>th</sup> tee. He stated that they've just new hired six new cart staff who are currently being trained.

**6. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS, NON-AGENDA (Public Comment)**

None

**7. OLD BUSINESS**

**Review and Recommend Updated Rates for Alameda Resident Senior and Junior Golf**

Ken Campbell explained the changes to the access times for the seniors and juniors previously discussed.

Commissioner VanWinkle stated that the had been in touch with some of their junior golfers, and he made a suggestion that the following language be used: Juniors who have demonstrated safety, etiquette, knowledge of golf rules, pace of play and proper care of the golf course may access the north and the south course anytime based on space available.

Mr. Campbell explained they are looking to add a rate for 20-29 year old golfers to pay their age on the south course.

Commissioner Saxton moves to approve the updated proposal. Chair Downing seconded the motion. Commissioner Carlson asked if there is a slow time and the juniors are there prior to their allowed time, would they allowed to play earlier. Commissioner VanWinkle stated that his statement read earlier could solve this, and Commissioner Carlson agreed he would be fine with amending the motion. Chair Downing feels this should move forward as presented. Commissioner Saxton is asked if she would accept an amendment as part of her motion. The motion stood as originally stated. The motion passed 4-1.

**8. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS**

**9. ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING'S AGENDA – July 10, 2018**

## **10. ANNOUNCEMENTS/ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:00 p.m.

The agenda for the meeting was posted seven days in advance in compliance with the Alameda Sunshine Ordinance, which also complies with the 72-hour requirement of the Brown Act.