

## **City of Portland Golf Advisory Committee**

### **Meeting Minutes of September 10, 2015**

#### **Eastmoreland Golf Course**

#### **Attending:**

Members: Vicki Nakashima, Kristen Dozono, Yvonne Deckard, Vincent DiGiano, Shanda Imlay, Bill McAllister, Bill Hart

Concessionaires: Hank Childs (Rose City), Hank Childs Jr., Randy Morrison (Heron Lakes), Craig Zimmerman (Red Tail), Rob Cumpston (Eastmoreland), JR (Eastmoreland)

Staff: John Zoller, Eileen Argentina, John Van Vactor, Jessie Goodling, Kathy Hauff, Todd Melton, Barb Aguon (Safety & Risk Officer), Ansley Chakos (Rose City Golf)

Meeting Called to Order

August meeting minutes approved (Bill Hart added to August minutes)

Agenda adopted

#### ***Special Reports & Project Updates:***

1. Barb Aguon was invited to report the life saved at Rose City Golf Course on August 23, 2015 and to introduce Ansley Chakos, who was one of the two employees who responded to a cyclist experiencing a serious medical issue. Chakos acted promptly, using the AED in conjunction with CPR until the paramedics arrived. Staff was presented an award of appreciation by Dave Peake and Parks Director, Mike A. for their courageous efforts.
  - Each golf course has a defibrillator on site. One in the pro shop and one in the maintenance facility. Be sure to contact Barb Aguon if you need CPR/Defibrillator training (free of charge) at 503-823-5478 or [barg.aguon@portlandoregon.gov](mailto:barg.aguon@portlandoregon.gov)

### ***Colwood Business Plan Updates***

- a. Grounds have been consistent since summer-core customer base; many local, juniors and senior players.
- b. Food and beverages up 40% since last year.
- c. Promotional card being distributed mid-September, which will include all 5 courses. These cards will be sold through KXL radio station and anticipating to sell 750 cards. Rebecca, radio host of KXL will be taught how to play golf by Colwood staff and she will promote the cards over the radio.
- d. Considering a new approach to marketing foot golf. Some ideas are to reach out to the Timbers, youth soccer clubs, include birthdays, or make a promotional card for foot golf players. Irrigation will also be dedicated to the foot golf areas.
- e. During the closure for parking lot improvements, the other side of Columbia Blvd may be used for parking, or plan to do ½ the parking lot at a time.

### ***Clubhouse Maintenance Inventory*** – Kathy Hauff has been working on 3 yellow tees.

- Tee #18, stripped the sod and using the irrigation normally used for a fairway. Tees #11, 2 and maybe #7 to start with.
- The irrigation had to be adjusted slightly to reduce excessive watering, which in turn, would alleviate fungus. Anthracnose and rhizoctonia were exceptionally bad this year because of the unusual heat and humidity, so they had to hand water, fertilize, etc.
- A/C installed in Eastmoreland

### ***Smoke Free Parks Policy – No issues.***

### **PORTLAND GOLF REPORTS/FINANCIAL REPORTS-**

1. Todd Melton handed out activity report :

- a. General Fund overcast starts in October through December. In the beginning of February, the budget requests need to be submitted.
  - b. Foot golf rounds and golf rounds are calculated separately.
  - c. Colwood lost between \$8-10k the first week in September because of the rain. This seems to be the average amount of loss at each golf course when there is heavy rain.
- 2 The letter from the Men's Rose City Golf Course was addressed- the greens had been improved since Parks & Recreation received the letter.
- a. Unforeseen weather conditions have caused complaints on all courses, including Broadmoor. Some courses have had soggy spots from over watering, dry grass and weeds from excessive sun, etc.
    - i. GAC members should visit courses and look for needs or improvements to report back.
    - ii. Superintendents encouraged GAC members to visit the golf courses on a regular basis. They are willing to give GAC members a "ride along" to view problems and improvements. It will also be helpful for the GAC members to visit the Men's and Woman's clubs to hear concerns.
    - iii. Draft letters to Club Members once course improvements have been made, following concerns (i.e "Rose City has Recovered"), or of upcoming improvements to be made.
- 3 The City is limited on the type of chemicals are being used. It has been encouraged that greenway chemicals be used. If issues become more dangerous, then extra steps will be used outside of greenway to resolve.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS-** John Z. will submit the Maintenance Standards to Vicki.

Send Vicki event suggestions for the October Staff Appreciation Event

**NEW BUSINESS-** None

**ANNOUNCEMENTS & GOOD OF THE ORDER-** None

**INFORMATION FROM THE PUBLIC-** None

**Meeting Adjourned**