

Golf Commission Minutes, May 28, 2024
City Hall, Galesburg, Illinois

Meeting was called to order by Dave Selkirk at 4:00 pm

Roll Call: Present: Members: Dave Selkirk, Rodney Bunch, Stan Devlin, Jerry Reynolds, Bob Reedy, Greenkeeper Matt Miles, Golf Professional Bryan Luedtke, Parks and Recreation Director Don Miles
 Absent: Council Liaison Alderman Steve Cheesman

Minutes: Minutes from the April meeting were approved, with a motion from Bunch, 2nd by Reedy.

Reports:

Parks and Recreation Director;

Director Miles reported that the bridge railing on #15 has been replaced. Work has begun with the replacement of the entrance sign and anticipates completion before the end of the week. The drainage project is still being discussed, with plans to accomplish this fall.

Greenkeeper;

Greenkeeper Miles reported that tees were vert-cut in two or more directions followed by a sand topdressing and fertilizer application to improve the health and recovery from wear and tear. Repaired irrigation leaks next to the 15th green and in the 16th fairway. Areas of the rough that were thin had grass seed applied. Fairways and roughs had fertilizer applied to them. Clean up from storm damage and high winds has taken place. Two trees fell, one on hole #4 and one on #8. Both were along the edge of the property. Keeping busy mowing and treating the turf with products for turf health.

Golf Professional;

Golf Professional Luedtke reported that 2,753 rounds were played in April, down 422 from 2023, but 700 above average. Revenue is down due to the cold and damp weather. Merchandise and Food and Beverage are doing well, and the April Special brought in some customers. There were 104 players in the Spring Shamble with \$1,560 in merchandise credit paid out to the winners. Hosted the Jeppie Memorial Outing on May 4th with 52 players participating. The upcoming tournaments are the Centennial Superball on June 6th. The 28th Annual Firefighters Tournament June 8th, Ladies Bixby Cup June 12th, United Way/ Lolita Junk Memorial June 15th, Bunker Links Ladies Invitational June 20th, and Smart TD June 22nd.

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

Rodney Bunch stated that some weeds are growing as you walk up the main sidewalk to the Golf Shop, this needs to be addressed.

Bob Reedy suggested that maybe a staircase, like the one on #10, could be erected to assist golfers to see down the fairways on holes #9 and #18. This could possibly speed up play, once golfers can see the group in front of them has moved on.

Citizen Comments:

Wayne Miles is concerned about golfers jumping around to different holes on the course. It is mainly single players that are doing this, and it happens throughout the day. He would like the issue to be addressed before someone gets hurt.

Meeting adjourned at 4:38 P.M.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Don Miles". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Don" written in a smaller, more compact script than the last name "Miles".

Don Miles, Director of Parks and Recreation