



TUCSON GREENS COMMITTEE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 17, 2015

The Regular Meeting of the Tucson Greens Committee was called to order at 3:04 p.m., on Thursday September 17, 2015. The meeting was held at Randolph Golf Complex, 600 S. Alvernon Way, Tucson, Arizona.

Committee Members present: John Anttonen; Jerry Anderson; Jeff Farkas; Thomas Flanagan; Dr. David Kopec and Matthew Witzke, Joseph Cates.

City Staff in Attendance: Greg Jackson (City Manager's Office); Jane Duarte (Architect Manager – Parks and Recreation); Stephanie Brooks (Secretary – Parks and Recreation); Amy Stabler (Ward 6 Council Aide).

OB Sports Staff in Attendance: Phil Green (Chief Operating Officer); Mark Woodward (Senior Vice President of Operations); Robb Palmgren (General Manager – Randolph Golf Complex); Matt Kimble (Superintendent - Randolph Golf Complex); Joe Riekema (General Manager – Fred Enke Golf Course); Jeff Eckart (Superintendent – Fred Enke Golf Course); Reuben Proper (Superintendent – Silverbell Golf Course); Robert Moreno (General Manager – El Rio Golf Course); Tim Brady (Superintendent – El Rio Golf Course);

1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 3:04 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – JULY 16, 2015

Mr. Anderson made a Motion to approve the minutes.

Mr. Farkas seconded the Motion.

The minutes were approved by a vote of 7-0

3. CALL TO THE AUDIENCE

None.

4. TOM TATUM RECOGNITION – OB SPORTS

Mr. Woodward recognized Mr. Tatum for his 21 years of service.

Approved October 22, 2015

5. TUCSON PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN – FRED GRAY

Jane Duarte introduced Mr. Stacey Weeks, Norris Design consultant.

Mr. Weeks reviewed Tucson Parks and Recreation Master Plan process that began in April 2015. The process is a collaborative effort and strategic tool to meet the needs of the community.

Mr. Weeks stated the process includes a series of community outreach meetings, stakeholder meetings and parks commission meetings.

Mr. Weeks mentioned the process starts with an assessment to understand the current system of Parks and Recreation to include trends, demographics, population density, marketing, economic impact and tourism.

Mr. Weeks stated that part of the process includes meetings with Tucson Parks and Recreation staff, looking at needs and ways to enhance services and opportunity for partnerships and is currently in the community outreach phase. A community survey will be out in October with a report expected in 2016 along with recommendations.

Mr. Jackson stated that he emailed the Greens Committee the list of meetings and mentioned that the community survey will have questions regarding golf.

Mr. Anderson asked if a golf stakeholders meeting would be appropriate with Greens Committee and staff.

Mr. Weeks agreed to a roundtable session and will provide date options.

6. GOLF COURSE REPORTS (EVENTS, ROUNDS, MAINTENANCE)

Mr. Woodward announced the recent Arizona Daily Star Readers Choice awarded Randolph the “Best Public Golf Course”. Fred Enke was in the top three and will receive a certificate.

Irrigation fine tuned in preparation of over seeding season.

A. RANDOLPH / DELL URICH

Mr. Woodward noted that general manager’s will report on respective courses.

Mr. Woodward Reported

- Rounds and revenue are up.
- Over seeding October 4th – 16th
- D.I.V.O.T.S. volunteer hours: 33 hours in July, 29.5 hours in August and 18 hours so far in September
- Alex Stody hired as golf instructor along with Tom Tatum
- Military Appreciation month
- Folds of Honor – bag raffle

Approved October 22, 2015

- Upcoming events: University of Arizona Cross Country, Tucson Police Dept. event, retirement celebrations, Global children's Fund Tournament and Diner Night.

B. SILVERBELL

Mr. Woodward reported

- Flowing Wells High School Tournament with 120 players
- Folds of Honor – bag raffle
- Challenges with pump stations

C. FRED ENKE

Jeff Eckart and Joe Riekema provided update on Fred Enke.

- Rounds up 14% and revenue up 2.9%.
- Over seeding process in place, course will be closed September 28th - October 10th.
- Upcoming events include Men's Club Championship on Saturday and Sunday.
- 14 clubs are booked with an average of 24 players per group to start the winter season.

D. EL RIO

Mr. Woodward reported on the following:

- Rounds and revenue up at El Rio.
- Second City Card event held.
- Tucson Mountain Little League 120 players.
- Tucson Baseball Tournament 113 players.
- J.P. Amparano Tournament 115 players.
- Special Olympics event on October 3rd.
- Challenges with sewer smell in golf shop and restaurant.
- Over seeding September 21st – October 2nd.

7. OPERATING REVENUES AND EXPENSES REPORT –

Mr. Woodward reviewed reports and reported \$36,000 better than budget.

Mr. Cates requested detailed financial reports from OB Sports. Mr. Jackson responded that the any reports would come from the City of Tucson, not OB Sports. The current Operating and revenue and expense report is exactly what the Greens Committee previously requested.

Mr. Jackson noted that individual's may request completed financial reports through the public records request process.

Mr. Flanagan requested preliminary unaudited financial reports for last fiscal year and Mr. Cates also asked for a copy.

Mr. Jackson will request the report and provide it to Mr. Flanagan and Mr. Cates.

8. MAYOR AND COUNCIL HISTORY RELATED TO CIVANO PROPERTY

Mr. Jackson provided a report of motions made by Mayor and Council related to the Golf Enterprise and reviewed several key elements –

- Revenues needs to exceed expenses
- September 11, 2012 regarding Civano property when sold it will pay for golf deficit.
- October 23, 2012 reference transfer of property to general fund.

Mr. Flanagan inquired about he timeline for sale of Civano property to confirm sale would occur in 2016 fiscal year. Mr. Jackson responded that the property is up for sale with the intent of closing it during FY 16.

9. COURSE ENHANCEMENT REPORT – OB SPORTS

Mr. Woodward reported unbudgeted items in FY16 total is \$65,000 - \$75,000.

Mr. Woodward mentioned future items such as maintenance equipment, bunker renovations, parking lot resurfacing, roof repairs.

Mr. Jackson is working on a report and will be provided in November or December.

10. GREENS COMMITTEE GOLF COURSE INSPECTION REPORT

None.

11. CALL TO THE AUDIENCE

None.

12. NEXT MEETING DATE AND LOCATION

The next Tucson Greens Committee meeting will be held on Thursday, October 22, 2015, at 3:00 p.m., Silverbell Golf Course, 3600 N. Silverbell Rd., Tucson, AZ 85745

13. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

OB Sports 1-2 year plan
Judy Mc Dermott – Update on Conquistadors
Future of Randolph North
FTE's

14. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Antonen made a Motion to adjourn.
Mr. Farkas seconded the Motion.
The Motion passed, 7- 0.
The meeting was adjourned at 4:35 P.M