

## **Nampa Golf Commission Meeting Minutes 9/18/18 Draft**

**Attending:** Steve Wilson, Scott Nicholes, Charlie Denham, Scott Jacobsen, June York, Bobby Kincaid, Linda Estes, Darrin Johnson, John Lewis, Dave Clausen, Bobby Sanchez

**Absent & Excused:** Craig Stensgaard, Jennifer Vanderpool, Brandon Crim

**Meeting called to order** at 9:02 AM.

**Agenda:** Motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the agenda as presented.

**Minutes:** Motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the minutes of 7/17/18, and the meeting notes of 8/21/18.

**Revenue & Expense Reports:** Revenue for Centennial in August was slightly up from the same period last year, and Ridgecrest revenue was up almost \$20K. Scott Nicholes indicated that revenue for Ridgecrest is up almost \$123K year to date over the same period last year. Darrin Johnson indicated that expenses for both courses were as expected. Steve Wilson commented that expenses for both courses have been consistently less than last year, month over month. Darrin indicated the primary reason for that is the difficulty of hiring and keeping the normal number of seasonal workers, so both courses have been getting by with fewer than normal workers.

**Maintenance & Operations Reports:** Charlie Denham indicated that greens at both courses have been punched and top-dressed, and seem to be recovering well. He also indicated that Ridgecrest is operating not only with fewer seasonal workers, but they are now also one full-time employee short. The remaining crew is working very hard and doing an excellent job. Bobby Kincaid indicated that he's heard good feedback from players on the condition of Centennial, and John Lewis indicated the same. One comment was made that perhaps hole locations could be moved a little more often, and that will be passed on to Superintendent Brandon Crim. Dave Clausen indicated that Ridgecrest is also looking good, especially now that irrigation problems are behind us.

**Public Relations Reports:** June York reported for Ridgecrest that there was a Thomas Management outing on 8/22 with 40 players, Sip & Chip clinics on 8/24 and 9/7, both with 15 participants, and a US Kids Tournament on 8/25 with 40 players. An Ameriband outing occurred on 9/11, a Nampa High School reunion outing on 9/14 with 20 players, and a Borah High School reunion on 9/15 with 60 players. Linda Estes reported for Centennial that the Ladies Club Championship was held on 8/21 & 22, the Men's Club Championship on 8/25 & 26, and greens were aeriated on 9/5. Motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the Maintenance and Public Relations reports.

**Old Business:** Mayor's Golf Scholarship Application-The commission has been in the process of revising this application in an effort to improve the application itself as well as make the process easier for the applicant and the Commission by making it a fillable PDF document. Steve Wilson was asked to finalize a draft for presentation to the Commission at the October meeting. Steve will work with Chief of Staff Bobby Sanchez on several areas where the Mayor's Office input is needed.

**Golf Course Lease:** Darrin Johnson and Bobby Sanchez reported that they and the mayor have met with Department of Health & Welfare (DHW) as well as the local Nampa legislative

delegation to lay the groundwork for discussions on being able to keep the two public courses operating beyond the expiration of the current lease on 12/31/19. Those meetings were described as productive. It appears that DHW no longer intends to sell the land, and now intends to improve its current facilities located on approximately 100 acres in the middle of the property. The next step appears to be entering into negotiations with DHW to try to secure a new lease with the longest term possible to try to ensure the future of golf on the property. Motion was made, seconded and passed that the Golf Commission recommends that the mayor begin negotiating with DHW to secure a new lease on the golf course property for the longest term possible.

**Adjournment:** Motion was made, seconded and passed to adjourn the meeting at 9:58 AM.

**Next meeting scheduled for 9:00AM, October 16<sup>th</sup> in the Mayor's Conference Room**

Respectfully submitted by Steve Wilson, Commission Secretary