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Meeting Minutes Regular Meeting of the FLAGG CREEK GOLF COURSE ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, March 18, 2025

6:00 PM

Council Chamber

Committee Members

Chairman – John Von Drasek

**Board Members – Alderman Michael Natale, Alderman Tom
Frohlich, Kevin Dahill, and Frank Urban**

I. CALL TO ORDER.

The Flagg Creek Administrative Board Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL.**Present:**

Chairman Von Drasek
Board Member Frohlich
Board Member Urban
Board Member Natale

Absent:

Board Member Dahill

Also Present:

General Manager Jeter and Finance Director Schutter

III. Additions/Corrections to the Agenda.

None.

IV. Comments from the Public.

None.

V. CONSENT AGENDA.

- A.** Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes from February 18, 2025.
- B.** Review of the Paid Bills Report for the Period of February 1 – 28, 2025.
- C.** Donation Requests for March, 2025.

Member Natale made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from February 18, 2025, and the Paid Bills Report for the period of February 1 - 28, 2025 and to ratify donation requests for March, 2025 under the consent agenda. Motion was seconded by Member Frohlich.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 Chairman Von Drasek, Member Frohlich, Member Urban, and
Member Natale

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 Member Dahill

VI. NEW BUSINESS.**A. Rounds Report for February, 2025.**

General Manager Jeter stated that we kept the course closed in February.

B. Presentation of Financial Report for the period ended February 28, 2025.

Finance Director Schutter YTD green/league fees exceeded the prior year by \$50K and \$59K respectively. Overall total revenues exceeded the prior year and budget by \$140K and \$169K respectively. Net income from concessions is up by \$19K/\$15K to the prior year and budget.

Year to date capital outlays total just over \$256K.

The revenue and expense analysis of the golf course is showing a surplus of \$412K versus a surplus of \$550K achieved in the prior year. When adjusting for capital outlays the bottom line performance exceeds the prior year and budget by \$44K and \$116K respectively.

C. Consideration to Increase Equipment Rental Fees for Fiscal Year 2026.

Finance Director Schutter stated that Illinois Governor J. B. Pritzker signed new legislation aimed at bringing Illinois on par with every other state's sales tax practices. Beginning January 1, 2025, rental companies doing business in the state of Illinois will be required to collect state sales tax on rental equipment inventory directly from customers. Relative to the operations of the golf course the Retailers Occupation and Use Tax is now applicable to cart fees as well as club rental fees.

We propose increasing the riding cart fees from \$10.00 to \$10.93 (on a pretax basis) which nets to \$12.00 inclusive of the tax. For the pull carts we propose increasing the fee from \$4.00 to \$4.55 (on a pretax basis) which nets to \$5.00 inclusive of the tax. As far as the club rentals we propose increasing the fees from \$10.00 to \$10.02 (on a pretax basis) which nets to \$11.00 inclusive of the tax.

Member Natale made a motion to increase the equipment rental fees for fiscal year 2026. Motion was seconded by Member Urban.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 Chairman Von Drasek, Member Frohlich, Member Urban,
and Member Natale

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 Member Dahill

D. Consideration to Increase Range Bucket Prices for Fiscal Year 2026.

General Manager Jeter stated that more competitors are closing their facilities which gives Flagg Creek the opportunity to increase bucket pricing. Flagg Creek has not increased their prices since 2022.

Staff performed a local competitive market analysis for other properties with practice facilities and found that Flagg Creek's bucket pricing is below the market. Management is proposing an increase in the medium and large bucket pricing by \$2 to bring pricing more in line with competition. Medium buckets would go to \$11 and large buckets would increase to \$17. These prices are still below the competition and we are offering the same balls and range mats that the other facilities have.

Member Frohlich made a motion to increase range bucket prices for fiscal year 2026. Motion was seconded by Member Urban.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 Chairman Von Drasek, Member Frohlich, Member Urban, and Member Natale

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 Member Dahill

E. Staff Reports.

General Manager Jeter stated that we opened the course and range last Monday and everything is going good.

F. Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 15, 2025 in the Council Chamber at City Hall.

VII. ADDITIONAL ITEMS.

None.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Member Urban and seconded by Member Frohlich.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 Chairman Von Drasek, Member Frohlich, Member Urban,
and Member Natale

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 Member Dahill

Chairman Von Drasek declared the meeting adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

Approved:

Chairman John Von Drasek

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