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NOTICE OF GOLF ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

A meeting of the Golf Advisory Board of the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas, will be conducted in person on Tuesday, September 8, 2026, at 10:00 A.M.

We invite you to view the meeting in person at the George Meyn Community Center, 126th Street and State Avenue, Wyandotte County Park, Bonner Springs, Kansas 66012.

Golf Advisory Board
George Meyn Community Center, 126th Street & State Ave.
Inside the Wyandotte County Park
Bonner Springs, KS 66012
Tuesday, September 8, 2026, 10:00am
Agenda

Have the proper meeting notices been given? _____

Call to Order,
Roll Call:

_____A.M.

_____ Tom Roberts Chairman/District #4

_____ Jake Miller Vice Chairman/District #3

_____ Bill Edwards/Mayor

_____ Mark Mohler/District #1 at Large

_____ Mike Kane/District #2 at Large

_____ JD Downs/District #1

_____ James Orth/District #2

_____ Ian Tomasic/District #5

_____ Mike Gerber/District #6

_____ Chris Wing/District #7

_____ Steve Pope/District #8

_____ Al Ramirez/City of Bonner Springs/Non-Voting Member

UG & Golf Course Administration:

_____ Angel Ferrara, Parks and Recreation, Director

_____ Vincent Billaci, Parks & Recreation, Parks Manager

_____ Jonathan Bennett, Operations Superintendent

_____ Jeff Johnson, Course Professional

_____ Casey Meyers, UG Legal Counsel

_____ Renee Mason, Administrative Support Specialist

I – Preliminaries

1. Adoption of the Agenda

The Agenda is presented for Board review, and consideration for adoption.

Additions:

The Agenda is presented for adoption.

Motion:_____ Seconded:_____ Vote:_____

2. Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes

Minutes of the Tuesday, May 12th, 2026 regular Sunflower Hills Golf Course Advisory Board meeting were presented for review and consideration for approval.

Motion:_____ Seconded:_____ Vote:_____

II – Presentations, Hearings, Communications

3. Visitors:

Visitors may speak to the Board at this time. As a general rule, the Board will not enter into discussion, but will direct Administration to take under advisement, make necessary responses, and bring items to a future agenda as may be appropriate. Anyone addressing the Sunflower Hills Golf Course Advisory Board must state their name and address for the record. Comments shall be limited to three (3) minutes for each participant. Per the Commission Rules of Procedure, which are applicable to Sunflower Hills Golf Course Advisory Board meetings, comments should not include any rude or derogatory remarks, reflections as to integrity, abusive comments, and statements as to motives and personalities.

4. Correspondence

- None to Report -

III – Old Business

- Clubhouse Update –

IV – New Business

- None to Report –

V – Other Business

5. Parks & Recreation Comments or Updates

- Jonathan Bennett –
 - a. Maintenance Report –
- Jeff Johnson –
 - a. Golf Operations -

6. Board Member's Questions or Comments:

7. Adjournment at _____ P.M.

Motion: _____ Seconded: _____ Vote: _____

**MINUTES OF THE
UNIFIED GOVERNMENT WYCO/KCK
GOLF ADVISORY BOARD MEETING**

The June 9th, 2026, meeting of the Unified Government WyCo/KCK Golf Advisory Board was held at George Meyn Community Center, 126th Street & State Ave. Inside the Wyandotte County Park Bonner Springs, KS 66012 Tuesday, June 9th, 2026, 10:00am.

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting of the Unified Government Golf Course Advisory Board was called to order at 10:01 am by Tom Roberts, Chairman.

ROLL CALL: Members present were recorded for the minutes

Board Members Present:

Tom Roberts/District #4/Chairman

Jake Miller/District #3/Vice Chairman Arrived at 10:08a

Bill Edwards – Mayor’s Appointment

Mike Kane – District #2 At Large

JD Downs - District #1

James Orth – District #2

Ian Tomasic – District #5

Chris Wing – District #7

Steve Pope – District #8

Al Ramirez – City of Bonner Springs/Non-Voting Member

Board Members Absent:

Mark Mohler – District #1 At Large excused absence

Mike Gerber – District #6 excused absence

Administration Present:

Angel Ferrara, Director of Parks and Recreation

Vincent Billaci, Parks Manager

Jonathan Bennett, Operations Superintendent

Jeff Johnson, Course Professional

Daniel Kuhn, UG Legal Counsel

Renee Mason, Administrative Support Specialist

I – PRELIMINARIES

- **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

A motion was made by JD Downs to adopt June 9th, 2026, Agenda and seconded by Chris Wing.

Motion carried (Ayes 10, Nays 0)

- **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES**

Minutes of Tuesday, May 12th, 2026, regular Golf Course Advisory Board were presented for review and consideration for approval. A motion was made by James Orth and seconded by Bill Edwards.

Motion carried (Ayes 10, Nays 0)

II- PRESENTATIONS, HEARINGS, COMMUNICATIONS

Visitors – None to Report

Visitors may speak to the Board at this time

As a general rule, the Board will not enter discussion, but will direct Administration to take under advisement, make necessary response and bring items to a future agenda as may be appropriate

- **Correspondence** –No Correspondence

III– OLD BUSINESS

- **Clubhouse Update** –

- Angel Ferrara wanted to Thank everyone for all the work that was done this year. You have a conceptual picture of the new Clubhouse, this is not the final it is just to give the public and Commissioners an idea of what could be done. I'm open to any feedback. The other paper is a list of the upcoming budget meetings. The public budget hearing is set for Monday the 24th. Encourage you to send emails to advocate for support of the Clubhouse.

- Mike Kane asked when Angel would be getting up to talk about the golf course.
- Angel Ferrara – stated that it would be on Wednesday June 24th during the CIP meeting.
 - Mike Kane requested that Angel let them know when she would be speaking, so they could show up. Then she could say they have X amount of board members present.
- Angel Ferrara – stated that they have a big meeting coming up with all the Commissioners and Mayor. Will be briefing the Commissioners on facility program and the draft cost and was to fund the \$9.5 million for the Clubhouse. If approved, it would be approved for the 2027 budget.
 - Mike Kane stated that we need to tell the Commissioners that we have increased our meetings, to get this project moving forward.
 - Chairman Tom Roberts asked if we are scheduled for the meeting on June 24th.
- Angel Ferrara stated that we are scheduled to be present, but could possibly asked to come back the following week.
 - Mike Kane asked for a meeting invite.
- Angel Ferrara stated that the meeting invite would be sent out today. And will send out as much information as she can.
 - Mike Kane asked who was over Parks.
 - Angel Ferrara stated that it was Allen.
 - Mike Kane asked if she could ask him for the correct agenda.
 - Chairman Tom Roberts asked if this was full Commission.
 - Angel Ferra stated that it was.
 - Mike Kane suggested that Angel Ferrara have Chairman Tom Roberts go with her to talk to Allen.
 - Chairman Tom Roberts stated that would work for him if he had opening in his schedule. If he couldn't make it, maybe Vice Chairman Jake Miller could go.
- Angel Ferrara stated that it would help to have the support when CFO Dr. Kneuvean, has a meeting with bond companies. PGAV has put together a draft report. She will go through it and get it out to the board prior to the meetings next week. It is a nice overview of all the work that has gone into this project.
 - Bill Edwards asked if the Commissioners should come out and see the Clubhouse prior to the meetings.
- Angel Ferrara stated that it would be offered at the On 3 meeting.
 - Chairman Tom Roberts asked what the On 3 was.
 - Angel Ferrara turned it over to Daniel Kuhn for the legal description.

- Daniel Kuhn stated that it is a way to communicate with Commissioners. There are 3 Commissioners present with the staff for the meeting. This is the minimum amount you can have to not be a public meeting.
- Jeff Johnson asked if we have a lot of competition city wide for major projects.
- Angel Ferrara stated that as far as bonds go, we are not competing with anyone else.
 - Chairman Tom Roberts stated this is a positive and to keep pushing forward. Need everyone at the meeting on the 24th if possible. Any more questions for staff. Good job Angel. Appreciate everyone for helping push this project through.

IV- NEW BUSINESS

- No New Business to Report

V - OTHER BUSINESS

Staff Comments and Updates:

- Jonathan Bennett, Maintenance Report-
 - Introduced Sam Seckar as “second assistant”
 - He has 5400 hours in pool for seasonal help. Have 9 seasonals now. Great crew.
 - Cutting down blue tee for line of site.
 - Working on yellow tees this year.
 - Get mowing done this week.
 - Best year ever for the Zoysia grass. Filling in good. Will spot spray as needed.
 - Gone to start a new chemical program to get rid of POA.
 - Junior course is spreading nicely.
- Chairman Tom Roberts welcomed Sam. Asked if was on KState golf.
 - Sam Seckar replied No.
- Chairman Tom Roberts asked if there were any other questions for Jonathan.
 - Bill Edwards said he had driven by and saw that all the workers were working very hard.
 - Mike Kane stated it was a good place for kids to start working.
- Chairman Tom Roberts turned it over to Jeff.

- Jeff Johnson, Golf Operations –
 - In May had 5653 rounds, 4% over last year.
 - Green Fee Revenue up 13%
 - Cart Revenue up 13%
 - Total Revenue for May was \$238,807
 - For the season Jan through May, rounds are up by 2000. Up by 13%. Green Fees Revenues are up 22%, which is up \$414,000 for the first 5 months. Cart Revenue is up 19%. Total Revenue up 20%. Revenue is in excess of \$130,00 for the first 5 months.
 - Do not need as much Tournament play.
 - Chairman Tom Roberts stated that Tournaments give us exposure.
 - Jeff Johnson stated the calendar is full and still have to room for the public play.
 - Have about a dozen of the big shot gun events.
 - Junior Golf enrollment is up 15%. Class are already full.
 - Thank you Vinnie with helping with the handicap parking for Junior Golf.
 - Steve Pope asked the age of the kids
 - Jeff Johnson stated they are age 4 – 17.
 - Manning the Junior course on the weekends. See if it is cost effective.
 - Chairman Tom Roberts asked Angel Ferrara if they could get a bus to get kids to Junior Golf
 - Angel Ferrara said she agreed it was worth having a conversation with USD 500 about a partnership.
 - Jeff Johnson stated First Tee used to pay to help the National Youth Service program, but it has been cut. USD 500 tried some in school projects not sure what happened.
 - Chairman Tom Roberts stated it would be a positive to try to get something going for the community.
 - Angel Ferrara stated there was a connection with the school and just need to get everyone together in a meeting.
 - Chris Wing stated that there is a non-profit coming to the Northeast, specifically targeting inner city youth. Maybe reach out to them.
 - Chairman Tom Roberts asked Angel Ferrara to let the Commissioners know that we are moving in that direction as a positive for the community.

VI - BOARD MEMBER'S QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS

No Questions or Comments from the Board Members

VII – ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Tom Roberts requested to adjourn; Jake Miller made a motion, Steve Pope seconded the motion, meeting was adjourned at 11:07 a.m. Motion

Carried (Ayes 10, Nays 0)

Tom Roberts/Chairman