

City of Eldridge Park Board



The regular meeting of the Eldridge Park Board was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on July 8, 2025, at Sheridan Meadows.

Board Members present were Jeff Ashcraft, Jill DeWulf, Tricia Campbell, and Scott LaPlante. Dean Halverson was absent. Also present were Tony Rupe, and Ashley Lacey.

Motion by DeWulf, second by T. Campbell to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carries.

Public Comment -None

Motion by LaPlante, second by T. Campbell to approve the minutes from June 10, 2025. All ayes. Motion carries.

Motion by DeWulf, second by T. Campbell to approve the Park bills in the amount of \$6,179.03. All ayes. Motion carries.

Old Business

Sheridan Meadows Pond Committee

Ashcraft informed the board that he, along with Rupe, LaPlante, and S. Campbell, attended a meeting regarding updates to the Sheridan Meadows Pond. Three potential options for the area were discussed:

1. Leave the pond as is.
2. Develop it into a formal pond, with an estimated cost of approximately \$1 million.
3. Convert the area into an initial wetland.

Further research and evaluation will be conducted before any decisions are made.

Review of Open Meetings

Ashcraft went over a few items in regards to rules for Open Meetings, referencing the information the board was provided.

Elmegreen Shelter & Restroom

There is currently no update available.

Crandall Park Restroom

The foundation work is scheduled to begin on Monday. The building and roofing are expected to be completed within the next 2–3 weeks.

Hickory Park

Fence installation is scheduled to begin next week. The fiber has been installed, and the pole for camera installation is currently being fabricated.

Lions Shelter

Rupe has received a second bid for the shelter project. He will review the proposal and bring it to the board for consideration at a future meeting.

Sanctuary Gardens

Lacey has a contact for a bid on the masonry work for the gazebo. She also presented a drawing of the church to be included on the historical signage for the site.

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Pickleball Court

Manatts has visited the site to assess the condition of the court and will be providing a quote for resurfacing.

Summer Programs

Lacey provided a brief update on the summer programs and will present a more comprehensive report once all camps have concluded.

New Business

A tree located at Centennial Park has been identified as dead and poses a safety hazard. A motion was made by T. Campbell to approve its removal at a cost not to exceed \$4,600. The motion was seconded by LaPlante. All ayes. Motion carries.

Motion by LaPlante to adjourn the meeting at 7:16 p.m., second by DeWulf. All ayes. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,
Ashley Lacey, Billing Clerk