

City of Eldridge Park Board



The regular meeting of the Eldridge Park Board was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on November 11, 2025, at City Hall.

Board Members present were Jeff Ashcraft, Jill DeWulf, Samantha Nichols, Tricia Campbell, and Scott LaPlante. Also, present were Tony Rupe and Scott Campbell.

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

Public Comment -None

Motion by T. Campbell, second by LaPlante to approve the minutes from October 14, 2025. All ayes. Motion carries.

Motion by DeWulf second by Nichols to approve the Park bills in the amount of \$1,362.76. All ayes. Motion carries.

Old Business

Sheridan Meadows Pond

We received a determination from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) that the area is non-jurisdictional, meaning no mitigation of existing wetlands is required. This allows us to move forward with the bank stabilization project planned along the baseball fields. The steering committee will be meeting again to determine the next steps for this area.

Crandall Park Update

The shelter roof has been completed. The sink is currently backordered, so Petersen Plumbing will start the water service in April when the sink is installed.

Additionally, Crandall Park was included in the Soil Quality Restoration project, which should significantly improve grass growth next year.

Elmegreen Park Restroom Update

Rupe received the final set of plans last week. These will be reviewed by Shive Hattery before being released for bid later this month. If everything stays on schedule, construction is expected to begin next spring.

Sanctuary Garden Sign Update

The sign has been manufactured and received. Public Works is currently building a stand for it, which will be powder-coated and installed once completed.

New Business

Field Rental Contract

Rupe worked with Nevada Lemke, T. Campbell, and Ashcraft to develop an agreement that aligns with neighboring cities. Motion by DeWulf, second by T. Campbell, to approve the agreement with the amendment of adding North Scott Little League and North Scott Lightning as recognized community teams. All ayes. Motion carries.

North Scott Soccer Club Lease

Rupe and Lemke met with the North Scott Soccer Club to review the lease. The only change was to the annual maintenance fees. The City will assist the club with scheduling — staff will block off practice times, and other teams will be charged a rental fee for field use during off hours. Lemke also recommended installing signage at the fields with instructions on how to reserve them. Motion by T. Campbell, second by DeWulf to approve the lease. All ayes. Motion carries.

Seasonal dates for park restroom and drinking fountain

Staff has set permanent dates for water service: October 15 through April 15. These dates are posted on the City's website to inform residents that water may not be available during that time if they reserve a shelter.

Hickory Creek Walking Path garbage can and pet waste station

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Staff identified the need for a pet waste station along the walking path. A garbage can will also be relocated from the parking lot to that area to improve cleanliness and convenience.

2026 Park Board Chair discussion

With Ashcraft's election to City Council, a new Park Board Chairperson will need to be selected. The Board discussed potential candidates for this position.

2026 Park Board potential candidate discussion

As Ashcraft transitions off the Park Board, there will be an open seat. The City will begin seeking applicants to fill the vacancy.

Motion by T. Campbell to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 p.m., second by Nichols. All ayes. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,
Ashley Lacey, Billing Clerk