

City of Eldridge Park Board



The regular meeting of the Eldridge Park Board was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on June 9, 2026, at Centennial Park.

Board Members present were Jill DeWulf, Arsal Shareef, and Samantha Nichols. Also present were Tony Rupe, Tabbitha Kramer, and Jeff Ashcraft.

Motion by Shareef, second by Nichols to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carries.

Motion by Shareef, second by Nichols to approve the minutes from the May 12, 2026 meeting. All ayes. Motion carries.

Motion by Nichols, second by Shareef to approve the park bills in the amount of \$11,137.90. All ayes. Motion carries.

Public Comment - none

Old Business –

Rupe reported that 242 Home Improvement had incorrectly measured the roof and needed to add over \$5,000 to their original bid, which had previously been accepted by the Board. At Rupe's request, the next two lowest bidders were asked to resubmit bids excluding the ceiling portion. Hugaert was the only submission at \$18,959.45. Motion by Shareef to accept the bid from Hugaert at \$18,959.45, second by Nichols. All ayes. Motion carries. Rupe suggested the possibility of the City crew recovering the ceiling with white metal later in the fall, once Hugaert's work was complete.

Rupe provided an update on the Elmegreen Park Shelter Project. He reported a quote of approximately \$75,000. He will be getting a second quote in. The timeline is to have the concrete work completed in the fall, and the rest of the project completed in the spring.

Rupe updated the Board on the Lions Shelter Concrete and Posts Project. He is working with the same vendor as the Elmegreen project, and the design process is in progress. The timeline is the same as Elmegreen.

Rupe reported that the Lions Club is thrilled about creating the pollinator pad in Hickory Creek Park. She will let Rupe know if the Lions Club is able to contribute any funding to the project. Rupe estimates \$1,700 for the seed for the whole acre.

Rupe reported that the 48 trees were delivered to Hickory Creek Park. The Board agreed they were a great addition. He reported that another organization might be interested in doing a tree project at Hickory Creek as well.

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New Business

The Board recognized Mary Healy for donating the Pickleball Camp fees back to the Eldridge Park Board. The Board acknowledged her generosity and the great program she offers for the local youth each summer.

The Board reviewed the Elected & Appointed Officials Code of Conduct.

The Board discussed setting fees for Hickory Creek Park soccer field usage. Rupe presented fees from other communities and the Board agreed that \$10 per field seemed fair.

Ashcraft briefly discussed the survey and the presentation from Iowa American Water.

The Board agreed to hold the July meeting at Crandall Park.

Motion by Nichols to adjourn at 7:17 pm. Second by Shareef. All ayes. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Tabbitha Kramer, Deputy City Clerk