

**MINUTES
PARK BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND, 2025
5:30 P.M.**

THE PARK BOARD MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, 12 NORTH ROWE STREET, PRYOR, OKLAHOMA AT THE ABOVE-MENTIONED DATE AND TIME.

BOARD MEMBERS: Keith Shelby (Chair), Autumn Graybill, Ron Reiser, Pamela Buffington, Roy Jackson, Sherry Alexander, Chris Graves.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER.

Keith Shelby called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Members present: Autumn Graybill, Roy Jackson, Sherry Alexander, Chris Graves and Keith Shelby. Members absent: Ron Reiser and Pamela Buffington.

Others present: Mayor Zac Doyle, Frank Powell, Dennis Bowman, Marti Schneider and Terry Aylward.

2. PETITIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

There were no petitions from the audience.

3. DISCUSS, POSSIBLY APPROVE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 25TH, 2025 MEETING.

Motion was made by Graybill, second by Jackson to approve the minutes of the August 25th, 2025 meeting. All voted yes.

4. PARK REPORT - SUPERINTENDENT FRANK POWELL.

a. PARKS

Powell reported that they have not begun any new projects recently due to staff shortages and employee leaves. He stated that he will be closing the splash pad for the season on October 6th and park outlets will only be turned on by request. He also reported that they are planning the installation of portable toilets and a small structure to shelter them in Bobby Buck Park. He stated that they expect to begin work on that project in the spring.

b. CEMETERY

Powell reported that they have finished repairing all the major damage from the tornado, with only minor touch-ups remaining after the rain settles the dirt work. He stated that while they are still short one staff member, it remains to be seen if they will be able to rehire for the position during this fiscal year.

Shelby moved to item 6.

6. DISCUSSION REGARDING PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT FOR WHITAKER PARK.

Powell reported that he has requested several quotes that will be brought to the Park Board for a Council recommendation. He stated that they have budgeted the funds required to make the purchase.

7. DISCUSSION REGARDING A PHYSICAL FITNESS GRANT FROM TSET AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE PARK.

Mayor Doyle reported that he will be applying for a \$100,000.00 TSET Healthy Living Grant to make significant improvements to Bobby Buck Park. He stated that the proposal will include play sets, benches, shade structures and fitness equipment.

Mayor Doyle also reported that he is securing in-kind donations to cover the labor required to build a new bathroom facility at the tennis courts. He stated that he is seeking quotes for the material required and considering grant applications to fund the remainder of the cost. He stated that the planned facility would include bathrooms, a utility closet, storage space and a concession area.

Shelby moved to item 5.

5. GOLF COURSE REPORT - DIRECTOR DENNIS BOWMAN.

Bowman reported that July and August profits are up over the same months last year. He stated that they have hosted several tournaments recently and have several more scheduled as the weather cools off for fall. He also stated that they are beginning fall maintenance and clean-up projects. He reported that they continue to have a waiting list for cart stalls, and he intends to have quotes for new golf carts ready to present soon.

Shelby moved to item 8.

8. UNFORESEEABLE BUSINESS.

Motion was made by Alexander, second by Jackson to recommend Council action to allow the Golf Course to request bids for golf carts. All voted yes.

9. ADJOURN.

Motion was made by Graybill, second by Alexander to adjourn. All voted yes.