

**MINUTES
PARK BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 25TH, 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, Ron Reiser, Pamela Buffington, Sherry Alexander, Chris Graves and Keith Shelby. Members absent: Roy Jackson.

Others present: Zac Doyle, Dennis Bowman, Jennifer Meyer, Gilbert Graybill and Terry Aylward.

2. ADMINISTER OATH OF OFFICE TO PAMELA BUFFINGTON.

The Oath of Office was administered to Pamela Buffington.

3. PETITIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

There were no petitions from the audience.

4. DISCUSS, POSSIBLY APPROVE MINUTES OF THE JULY 28TH, 2025 MEETING.

Motion was made by Graybill, second by Buffington to approve the minutes of the July 28th, 2025 meeting. All voted yes.

5. PARK REPORT - SUPERINTENDENT FRANK POWELL.

a. PARKS

Shelby reported on behalf of Frank Powell that they are currently working on general landscape maintenance and equipment repairs.

b. CEMETERY

Shelby reported on behalf of Frank Powell that most of the storm damage has now been repaired.

6. DISCUSSION REGARDING A DRAINAGE ISSUE CAUSED BY RUNOFF GRAVEL FROM THE PARK DEPARTMENT ON MEADOWVIEW CIRCLE.

Mayor Doyle stated that gravel from the walking trail has washed out and blocked a drainage ditch on Meadowview Circle. He reported that they have evaluated the issue and budgeted the necessary capital outlay funds to repair the damage and reinforce the ditch against future issues.

7. GOLF COURSE REPORT - DIRECTOR DENNIS BOWMAN.

Bowman reported that the Golf Course has had a great July, surpassing its July 2024 profit by \$10,000.00. He also reported that they have hosted several recent tournaments, including tournaments for LifeSmart, United Way, RAE Corporation and Gold Bond. He stated that they have made improvements to their pump stations to make them more accessible for maintenance. He also stated that all new bridges have been installed with gravel approaches with plans to upgrade to concrete or asphalt approaches in a future project.

Shelby moved to item 9.

9. DISCUSS, POSSIBLY RECOMMEND COUNCIL ACTION TO OFFER DISCOUNTED GROUP MEMBERSHIP RATES FOR CHURCHES AT THE GOLF COURSE.

No action taken. The Board discussed potentially expanding group membership discounts.

Shelby moved back to item 8.

8. UPDATE REGARDING GOLF CARTS.

Bowman presented print quotes for 60 new golf carts and 3 maintenance carts as a lease purchase. He stated that they are gathering specifications to seek more quotes and researching financing options. He stated that he will provide a thorough breakdown of his research and purchase options at the next meeting.

10. DISCUSS, POSSIBLY RECOMMEND COUNCIL ACTION ALLOWING LIFE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH TO HOST A HALLOWEEN CANDY CRAWL ON OCTOBER 31ST, 2025 AT WHITAKER PARK AND CENTENNIAL PARK.

Motion was made by Buffington, second by Alexander to recommend Council action allowing Life Fellowship Church to host a Halloween Candy Crawl on October 31st, 2025 at Whitaker Park and Centennial Park. Voting yes: Graybill, Reiser, Buffington, Alexander, Graves and Shelby. Voting no: none.

11. DISCUSSION REGARDING PLANS FOR THE OLD CITY POOL.

The Board discussed possibilities for funding a new community pool. They also discussed the potential to build a new gathering place, such as an amphitheater, at the old pool's location.

12. UNFORESEEABLE BUSINESS.

There was no unforeseeable business.

13. ADJOURN.

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