

Arcadia Lake Commission
October 9, 2025

1. **Meeting called to order** by Rocky McElvany at 4:02 p.m. at the MAC, Parks and Recreation Administration, 2733 Marilyn Williams Drive, Edmond, Oklahoma. The agenda for this meeting was posted in City Hall on October 6, 2025, at 2:22 p.m. Commissioners present: Rocky McElvany, KC Williams, Derek Kern, and Jennifer Fields. Lake staff present: Nicole Offutt and Theresa Morris. Parks and Recreation staff present: Brad Raney, Frank Hale, and Cheryl Tettleton.
Absent: Catherine Sharp
2. **Consideration of Approval of Meeting Minutes for August 14, 2025.** Derek Kern motioned to approve the minutes; KC Williams seconded the motion. **Motion carried as follows:**
AYES: Rocky McElvany, KC Williams, Derek Kern, and Jennifer Fields
NAYS: None
3. **Discussion and Consideration of Approval of the Arcadia Lake Commission 2026 Regular Schedule of Meetings.** Presented by Cheryl Tettleton. Meetings are scheduled to continue taking place in the MAC Conference Room at Mitch Park on the second Thursday of each month at 4:00 p.m. Jennifer Fields motioned to approve the schedule as presented; Derek Kern seconded the motion. **Motion carried as follows:**
AYES: Rocky McElvany, KC Williams, Derek Kern, and Jennifer Fields
NAYS: None
4. **Recognition and Remarks Regarding Outgoing Commission Members Rocky McElvany, K.C. Williams, and Derek Kern.** Each of these members served on the commission for several years, maxing out their term limits. Highlights they mentioned about their time with the commission included growth of the trail system, development of the lake master plan, improvements to trash management with the new trash trucks, improvements to lake tourism, and most recently, the addition of a park ranger. Staff expressed appreciation for their involvement and input on decisions and encouraged them to stay involved.
5. **Updates and Discussion of Arcadia Lake Activity Reports and Projects.** Provided by Brad Raney, Frank Hale, and Nicole Offutt.
 - **Trails -**
 - Northwest Connector – ODOT is expected to begin construction in January, with completion in about one year. There will be an item on the next Council agenda related to this trail.
 - Carl Reheman – Under design. Engineering department is leading the process. Funds have been set aside for construction.
 - **Master Plan Projects** – Have pricing for restrooms and need to match pricing to the priority list to develop a long-term plan. It takes about 6 months from order to delivery. Still waiting on the Corps regarding demolition of existing structures and have provided them with footprint information for the new units. HUD will be looking at possibility of repurposing the existing structures. Jennifer suggested finding a way to repurpose the stone on the existing buildings.

- **Deep Fork Trash** – Freese and Nichols are coming Oct. 13 for a site visit. They have reviewed hydraulic information, have developed some concepts, and are doing research on different models.
- **Liaison Report** – None.

Other updates:

- Nicole said revenues are down this month but have been up the last few months.
- Maintenance efforts at this time of year include mowing, signage, fences, and preparing for Storybook Forest.
- The lake was awarded a \$2,500 matching grant, which results in \$5,000 available to spend on installing artificial fish habitat. Additionally, ODWC will provide surplus cubes used to create fish habitat.
- The new playground mulch is going in and looks great.
- Online registration and orientation for this year's deer hunt has allowed for better use of staff resources. The IT department also helped to create an app to allow hunters to map their location and keep them in their designated area. Five deer were harvested on the first weekend.
- Erosion issues are being addressed at parking and picnic sites.
- New pavement striping has been added throughout the park.
- The new park ranger, Theresa Morris, was introduced. She has worked for the Forest Service and the National Park Service. She is enjoying working with the staff and visitors. Her vehicle is still with Vehicle Maintenance, her uniforms are on order, and she hasn't yet been officially sworn in to be able to issue citations. She is currently getting to know the lake and is interacting with visitors to encourage compliance. It was noted that she already has had a positive impact on the fishing crowd, getting them to park in appropriate locations rather than on the grass.

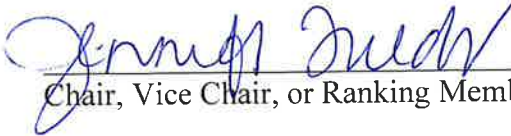
6. **Citizen Comments.** Taylor Wilson commented on the importance of coordination with the Bicycle Committee due to the trails at the lake. Commission members and staff provided that lake commission member Catherine is actively involved with the bike committee and that Joe Miller with the mountain bike group occasionally attends lake meetings and communicates regularly with lake staff. He also asked about the Visit Edmond GPS data. Nicole said she meets monthly with Jennifer of Visit Edmond, and they are creating "fences" around Arcadia Lake for capturing the data.

7. **Comments from the Arcadia Lake Commission Chair and Members.** None.

8. **Adjournment:** KC Williams motioned for adjournment at 4:48 p.m.; Derek Kern seconded the motion. **Motion carried as follows:**

AYES: Rocky McElvany, KC Williams, Derek Kern, and Jennifer Fields

NAYS: None


Chair, Vice Chair, or Ranking Member