

**Arcadia Lake Commission**  
**November 13, 2025**

1. **Meeting called to order** by Jennifer Fields at 4:01 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 November 10, 2025, at 9:16 a.m. Commissioners present: Jennifer Fields, Catherine Sharp, Sakina Sharp, and Lamar Miller. Parks and Recreation Advisory Board liaison not present. Lake staff present: Nick Garrett and Caleb Carter. Parks and Recreation staff present: Brad Raney, Frank Hale, and Cheryl Tettleton.  
**Absent:** David Greenfield
2. **Introduction of New Arcadia Lake Commission Members.** At the suggestion of Jennifer Fields, all commission members and staff introduced themselves and provided some personal information and their interests related to the lake.
3. **Consideration of Approval of Meeting Minutes for October 9, 2025.** Sakina Sharp motioned to approve the minutes; Lamar Miller seconded the motion. **Motion carried as follows:**  
**AYES:** Jennifer Fields, Catherine Sharp, Sakina Sharp, and Lamar Miller  
**NAYS:** None
4. **Discussion and Consideration to Elect and Chair and Vice Chair of the Arcadia Lake Commission.** Presented by Cheryl Tettleton. Annual elections. Additionally, the prior chair and vice chair termed off the commission last month.
  - a. Jennifer Fields volunteered, and Catherine Sharp nominated her to serve as the board's chair; Sakina Sharp seconded the motion. **Motion carried as follows:**  
**AYES:** Jennifer Fields, Catherine Sharp, Sakina Sharp, and Lamar Miller  
**NAYS:** None
  - b. Sakina Sharp motioned to nominate herself to serve as the board's vice chair; Catherine Sharp seconded the motion. **Motion carried as follows:**  
**AYES:** Jennifer Fields, Catherine Sharp, Sakina Sharp, and Lamar Miller  
**NAYS:** None
5. **Updates and Discussion of Arcadia Lake Activity Reports and Projects.** Provided by Brad Raney, Frank Hale, and Nick Garrett.
  - **Trails -**
    - Northwest Connector – Went through a long design and permitting process. ODOT is expected to begin construction in January, with completion in about one year. Planning to hold a groundbreaking event. Additional grant funding received will result in minimal construction cost for the city.
    - Spring Creek to Carl Rehman – Under design. Funding has been allocated, although project is likely a couple of years out.
    - Creek Bend (I-35 frontage by Regent Bank to Coltrane) – 2 cul-de-sacs not yet connected in the middle due to easement acquisition. Once complete, a trail will run from the lake to Hafer Park, using the Chimney Hill neighborhood streets to complete the connection.
  - **Master Plan Projects** – The plan includes about \$40 million in projects. Currently working on restroom replacements. There are 18 to do. The cost will limit replacements to probably two per year. The existing restrooms date back to the lake's opening in the late 1980's and some have experienced multiple flooding events. A priority list has been developed, with

camping areas to be addressed first. Waiting for final approval from the Corps. Jennifer said the rock on the outside of the current buildings is historic and she has talked with Cinda Covell (Director of Public Art) about finding a way to repurpose it – maybe for park entry signs.

- **Deep Fork Trash** – Partnering with Oklahoma City to address the issue. Have engaged Freese and Nichols to do a feasibility study and design some solutions. They are reviewing multiple locations south of the lake, making sure wildlife will not be impeded and trucks will have access to remove the debris. The recent OKC bond election included funding for the project. Currently, staff and volunteers clean up debris that ends up in the lake and along the shoreline.
- **Liaison Reports** – None.

**Other updates:**

- October was busy with setup and running of Storybook Forest. Two nights were cancelled due to weather, but overall, there was very good attendance.
- Deer hunt started October 1. Estimated 15 antlered and 18 antlerless deer have been harvested. Cost to participate is \$75/hunter.
- Over the next few months, they will continue to replace sand with rubber mulch at all playgrounds. Two were completed prior to Storybook Forest activities.
- Ranger Theresa Morris is currently focusing on acquainting herself with the parks (including biking the trails), learning the Title 9 ordinance, and educating visitors. She is not yet sworn in to be able to issue citations. The ranger will not replace police presence and patrols at the lake.

Information for new commission members and responses to their questions:

- Brad suggested the new members should weigh-in on their preferences for master plan priorities.
- Nick said weekdays are slower, with visitors generally being the regular fishermen. Weekends are busy.
- Jennifer said the tourism department has software that can provide data on who is visiting the lake and where they are from.
- The lake doesn't earn enough to pay for large improvements, so these are funded through the city's capital funds.
- The lake is intended to be self-sustaining. The 1/8 cent sales tax dedicated to parks helps to supplement any budget shortfalls.
- Catherine asked about the impact that a new trail would have on some "fragile" sewer lines. Nick said trail alignments had been adjusted to minimize impact.
- Jennifer brought up the new wayfinding signs spearheaded by Jennifer Thornton at Visit Edmond. There were a lot of positive comments about them.

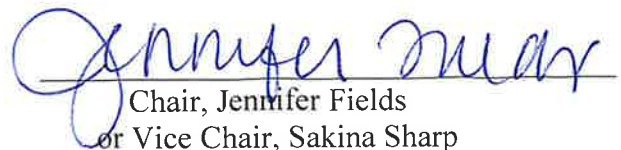
**6. Citizen Comments.** None.

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

**8. Adjournment:** Catherine Sharp motioned for adjournment at 4:46 p.m.; Sakina Sharp seconded the motion. **Motion carried as follows:**

**AYES:** Jennifer Fields, Catherine Sharp, Sakina Sharp, and Lamar Miller

**NAYS:** None

  
Chair, Jennifer Fields  
or Vice Chair, Sakina Sharp