

Arcadia Lake Commission
May 14, 2026

1. **Meeting called to order** by Jennifer Fields at 4:05 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 May 11, 2026, at 11:35 a.m. Commissioners present: Jennifer Fields, Sakina Sharp, Lamar Miller, and David Greenfield (in later). Parks & Recreation Advisory Board liaison Nick Nicoll was present. City Manager AJ Krieger and Councilmembers Barry Moore and Phil Fraim were present. Lake staff present: Nick Garrett. Edmond Police Lt. Kendall Miller present. Parks and Recreation staff present: Frank Hale and Cheryl Tettleton.
Absent: Catherine Sharp
2. **Consideration of Approval of Meeting Minutes for April 9, 2026.** Lamar Miller motioned to approve the minutes; Sakina Sharp seconded the motion. **Motion carried as follows:**
AYES: Jennifer Fields, Sakina Sharp, and Lamar Miller
NAYS: None
3. **Discussion of Safety at Arcadia Lake.** Jennifer acknowledged the recent incident and tragedy at the lake and expressed condolences. She continued with a statement regarding the City's and lake commission's commitment to reviewing and improving policies and procedures regarding lake access and activities to improve safety, and to implementing recommendations from the lake's master plan. Sakina, Lamar, and Nick (Nicoll) followed up with their expressions of condolence and commitment to making improvements.
4. **Discussion of Ordinance 9.22.480 – Remote Controlled Device, Particularly as it Relates to Foil Assist.** This was a continuation of a discussion started at the last meeting when a citizen had requested the ordinance be revised to permit use of foil assist devices. Jennifer said she had reviewed Corps guidelines but couldn't find anything related to hydrofoil devices. Defining how the devices are categorized would determine their treatment; for example, if they should be considered like jet skis and/or included within the boat count limits. Investigation, discussion, and consideration will be ongoing.
5. **Updates and Discussion of Arcadia Lake Activity Reports and Projects.** Provided Frank Hale and Jennifer Fields.
 - **Trails** – The Northwest Connector from Rt 66 to Spring Creek is currently under construction. There is a pause at a low water crossing due to some buried pipeline, but both ends of the trail are progressing.
 - **Master Plan Projects** – Two restroom replacements at Scissortail Park have been designed and approved. Getting funding is the next step. Buildings at the lake are about 40 years old, dating back to the original construction of the lake. The plan is to work towards replacing all of them as funds allow.
 - **Deep Fork Trash** – The feasibility study is ready for presentation, and Frank will be meeting with representatives from Oklahoma City to review the findings and determine the next steps. As the Deep Fork originates in Oklahoma City, we need to partner with them to implement a solution.
 - **Beach Sprint Row** – The event will take place on August 29. A coordination meeting is held monthly which includes Edmond police, fire, Visit Edmond, referees, Mike Knopp of Riversport, and other stakeholders. The focus is on safety, logistics, operations, community

engagement, and sponsorship. Currently looking at offering two weekends in July for residents to come out and learn beach sprint rowing.

- **Marijuana Enforcement** – Since last month’s meeting, Jennifer has had discussions with city staff regarding the concerns raised. Addressing those concerns will be an ongoing effort of this board.

- **Liaison Reports** – Jennifer covered this under the Beach Sprint Row update.

David Greenfield arrived at 4:19.

6. **Citizen Comments.** This was handled as an open discussion among the attendees, commission members, and staff. Multiple citizens followed up on the marijuana item with questions and comments about their experiences with the issue. The problem areas mentioned were the enclosed fishing dock and the Arrowhead area (the “T” dock). It was suggested that signage was faded and needed to be replaced, and the signage should make it clear that the lake is on federal land, managed by the city, and marijuana is prohibited. Jennifer informed attendees that improving signage is in process by lake staff. Lt. Miller indicated that police contact information is posted around the lake and citizens could also reach out to the park ranger and lake manager if they encounter or witness problems. A question was raised asking for clarification about restrictions regarding the number of fishing poles permitted. Lake staff stated a maximum of two poles per fisherman were allowed on the enclosed fishing dock and the “T” dock. The fisherman indicated they have witnessed multiple occasions of late-night gatherings in the picnic areas of Arrowhead which involved loud noise/music, drinking, glass containers, and marijuana use. Installing security cameras at gates was recommended for both entry and exit, something like the turnpike uses to capture license plate information. AI recognition tools were suggested. Currently, the only cameras in use at the gates are for observing staff who are handling money. It was thought that the cameras could pay for themselves simply by capturing the revenue missed when people don’t pay entry (via the honor boxes) when staff aren’t present. The citizens requested additional police patrols and wanted the officers to interact with park users, which could deter some bad behavior. Lt. Miller said the lake is patrolled daily year-round, but patrols increase in the summer season when school SRO officers turn their service to lake patrol. The citizens also encouraged employing additional park rangers.

7. **Comments from the Arcadia Lake Commission Chair and Members.** Jennifer commented on the value of the lake to her family in particular and to the broader local citizenry and indicated her desire to protect the lake and its innocence. Sakina thanked the citizens for their feedback, agreeing that cameras and improved signage should be implemented.

8. **Adjournment:** Lamar Miller motioned for adjournment at 4:39 p.m.; Sakina Sharp seconded the motion. **Motion carried as follows:**

AYES: Jennifer Fields, Sakina Sharp, Lamar Miller, and David Greenfield

NAYS: None


Chair, Jennifer Fields
or Vice Chair, Sakina Sharp