



AGENDA

INVOCATION

CALL TO ORDER

CITIZEN COMMENTS

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AGENDA ITEMS

- [1.](#) Presentation of awards
- [2.](#) Minutes of the December 4, 2024, Park Board Meeting/Holiday Dinner
- [3.](#) Tree Board Report to review tree-related activities for Park Services, Lake Parks and Golf Courses during the months of October 2024, November 2024 and December 2024.
- [4.](#) Chair Report: 2024 Prairie Lights Review, Big Event March 22, 2025
- [5.](#) Director Report: Park Board Retreat Information
- [6.](#) Site Tour of The Epic

ADJOURNMENT

This meeting location is wheelchair accessible. If you plan to attend this public meeting and you have a disability that requires special arrangements, please call 972-237-8027 at least 24 hours in advance. Reasonable accommodations will be made to assist your needs.

MESSAGE OF RELIGIOUS WELCOME

As many of you are aware, we customarily begin our meetings with an invocation. This prayer is intended for the benefit of the board members and is directed to them and not the audience. Those who deliver the invocation may reference their own religious faith as you might refer to yours when offering a prayer. We wish to emphasize, however, that members of all religious faiths are welcome, not only in these meetings, but in our community as well. The participation of all our citizens in the process of self-government will help our fine city best serve the good people who live here. Employees and audience members are welcome to pray or not pray, and this choice will have no bearing on any vote made by the board.

Certification

In accordance with Chapter 551, Subchapter C of the Government Code, V.T.C.A, the Park Board agenda was prepared and posted January 16, 2025.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Hilburn", is centered within a light gray rectangular box.

Jennifer Hilburn, Financial Analyst



**CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE
COMMUNICATION**

MEETING DATE: 01/22/2025

REQUESTER: Jennifer Hilburn

PRESENTER: Ray Cerda, Parks, Arts & Recreation Director and Mal Earl, Park Board Chair

TITLE: Award Presentation for employees of the Parks, Arts and Recreation Department

RECOMMENDED ACTION: None

ANALYSIS:

Employee Recognition Committee:

- Thinking Outside the Box Award – 1st Quarter – *Kelly Eddlemon (Parks Administration and Community Engagement Manager) & Emily Linares (Special Events Manager)*
- Teamwork Award – 1st Quarter – *Kirby Creek Natatorium Swim Team Coaches: Addie Carr, Hailey Melendez & Brenden Gilliam*



**CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE
COMMUNICATION**

MEETING DATE: 01/22/2025
REQUESTER: Jennifer Hilburn
PRESENTER: Mal Earl, Park Board Chair
TITLE: Minutes of the December 4, 2024 Park Board Meeting/Holiday Dinner
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve

ANALYSIS:



PARK BOARD MEETING
THE EPIC – THE WAREHOUSE
2960 EPIC PLACE, GRAND PRAIRIE, TX 75052
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2024, AT 6:00 PM

MINUTES

INVOCATION

CALL TO ORDER

PRESENT

- Chair Mal Earl*
- Board Member Norris “Stretch” Rideaux*
- Board Member Euwye Chan*
- Board Member Greg Mullen*
- Board Member Susanna Ramirez*
- Board Member Mike Riley*
- Board Member Jerry Partain*
- Board Member Jeff Gibson*

ABSENT

- Vice Chair Warren Landrum*

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No Citizen Comments

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Minutes of the October 23, 2024 Park Board Meeting

Motion to approve the October 23, 2024, minutes made by Board Member Chan, Seconded by Board Member Rideaux. Voting Yea: Chair Mal Earl, Board Member Norris “Stretch” Rideaux, Board Member Euwye Chan, Board Member Jeff Gibson, Board Member Greg Mullen, Board Member Susanna Ramirez, Board Member Mike Riley, Board Member Jerry Partain.

ADJOURNMENT

No further business, the Park board Meeting was adjourned by Chair Mal Earl at 6:23PM.



Ally Brann, Administrative Supervisor



**CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE
COMMUNICATION**

MEETING DATE: 01/22/2025
REQUESTER: Jennifer Hilburn
PRESENTER: Ray Cerda, Director of Parks, Arts & Recreation
TITLE: Tree Board Report (October 2024, November 2024 & December 2024)
RECOMMENDED ACTION: None

ANALYSIS:

- Review tree-related activities for Park Services, Lake Parks and Golf Courses during the months of October 2024, November 2024 and December 2024.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Tree Board
FROM: Nathan Wilson, Operation Supervisor
RE: October 2024 Tree-Related Activities
DATE:11-15-2024

The following is a list of tree-related activities for Parks Maintenance, Lake Parks, Golf Course Divisions reported for October 2024.

Parks Maintenance: (North, South, Municipal & Gateway Crews)

- 200 Man hours – Pruning/maintenance, tree removal, hauling brush.

Lake Parks: (Lynn Creek Park / Loyd Park)

- 0 Man hours – Pruning, maintenance, tree removal.

Golf Courses: (Prairie Lakes / Tangle Ridge)

- 882 Man hours – Pruning/maintenance.

Totals for Tree-Related Activities:

- 1,082 - Man hours

MEMORANDUM

TO: Tree Board
FROM: Nathan Wilson, Operation Supervisor
RE: November 2024 Tree-Related Activities
DATE:12-16-2024

The following is a list of tree-related activities for Parks Maintenance, Lake Parks, Golf Course Divisions reported for November 2024.

Parks Maintenance: (North, South, Municipal & Gateway Crews)

- 178 Man hours – Pruning/maintenance, tree removal, hauling brush.

Lake Parks: (Lynn Creek Park / Loyd Park)

- 0 Man hours – Pruning, maintenance, tree removal.

Golf Courses: (Prairie Lakes / Tangle Ridge)

- Man hours – Pruning/maintenance.

Totals for Tree-Related Activities:

- 178 - Man hours

MEMORANDUM

TO: Tree Board
FROM: Nathan Wilson, Operation Supervisor
RE: December 2024 Tree-Related Activities
DATE:1-14-2025

The following is a list of tree-related activities for Parks Maintenance, Lake Parks, Golf Course Divisions reported for December2024.

Parks Maintenance: (North, South, Municipal & Gateway Crews)

- 705 Man hours – Pruning/maintenance, tree removal, hauling brush.

Lake Parks: (Lynn Creek Park / Loyd Park)

- 0 Man hours – Pruning, maintenance, tree removal.

Golf Courses: (Prairie Lakes / Tangle Ridge)

- 489 Man hours – Pruning/maintenance.

Totals for Tree-Related Activities:

- 1194 - Man hours



**CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE
COMMUNICATION**

MEETING DATE: 01/22/2025
REQUESTER: Jennifer Hilburn
PRESENTER: Mal Earl, Chair
TITLE: Chair Report
RECOMMENDED ACTION: None

ANALYSIS:

- 2024 Prairie Lights Review
- Big Event March 22, 2025



**CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE
COMMUNICATION**

MEETING DATE: 01/22/2025
REQUESTER: Jennifer Hilburn
PRESENTER: Ray Cerda, Director of Parks, Arts & Recreation
TITLE: Director Report
RECOMMENDED ACTION: None

ANALYSIS:

- Park Board Retreat Information
 - Location: The Lodge at Loyd Park @ Joe Pool Lake
 - Date: May 16-17, 2025



**CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE
COMMUNICATION**

MEETING DATE: 01/22/2025
REQUESTER: Jennifer Hilburn
PRESENTER: Chris Ginapp, General Manager
TITLE: Site Tour of The Epic
RECOMMENDED ACTION: None

ANALYSIS: