



Town of Edgewood

Agenda

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting

Wednesday, November 12, 2025 at 6:00 PM

Edgewood Town Hall, 171 NM Rd 344

Edgewood, NM 87015

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A. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

1. Roll Call (by Town Clerk or designee)

B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Minutes of October 8, 2025

D. REPORTS

1. Parks, Open Space, and Trails Specialist
2. Recreation Specialist
3. Teen Advisory Committee

E. NEW BUSINESS

1. Review of Trunk or Treat and Zombie Run
2. Twinkle Light Parade & Tree Lighting events (Friday, Dec. 5)
3. Route 66 Centennial Kick-Off (Friday, Dec 5)
4. 5K Runs
5. Parks, Open Space, and Trails Matters

F. FUTURE MEETINGS

1. December 10, 2025

2. January 14, 2026

G. ADJOURNMENT

Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

Minutes



Date: 10/8/2025

Time: 6:00 P.M.

Location: Edgewood Town Hall,

Members Present: Lauren Aston, David Bergsten, Diana Boyd, Brian McMurtrey, Michael Morrow, Robin Sampson

Members Absent: Betsy Lange

Public Present: KR Scott, Roger Holden

Town of Edgewood Commission Members: None

Parks & Recreation Specialists Present: Serena Ortiz, Recreation

Specialist Absent: Tara Mansker, Parks

1. Call to Order

Called to Order by Brian McMurtrey at 6: P.M.

2. Approval of Agenda

Agenda approval motion made with addition of public comments and approved.

3. Staff Notes

- Grant application was submitted to T-Mobile Hometown Grants for improvements to Bassett Park playground equipment.
- Grant application was submitted to Outdoor Recreation Trails Grant for construction of the Americans with Disability Act (ADA) Trail in ECHO Ridge Park.
- Grant application was submitted for \$700K for improvements to Pavilion in Venus Park and Community Center Building. Mural for town is anticipated to be completed by June 2026.
- NM DOT funding for Edgewood 7 Trail planning was reinstated.
- Rt 66 Centennial Celebration grant funding was approved.
- Progress of work by Accent Landscape in ECHO Ridge Park involves placement of the pole for the security camera next to the parking lot. Addition work includes replacement of 2 entry gates, repairs to the fence along Edgewood 7, and installation of the security camera by October 20.

4. Public Comments

KR Scott reported a successful Sunset Fest on the evening following Woofstock in September. The Lions Club and Scout Troop 640 did a commendable job of ensuring a smooth event. There were about 300 participants, a great band, and good food vendors. Edgewood Maintenance assisted with setup and minor sound system issues.

5. Matters from Advisory Committee Members

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| a. Lauren Aston | Suggestion was made to Lauren that inclusion of a Line Dancing Night be added to our events. |
| b. Brian McMurtrey | Concern was expressed over the movement of the AYSO Shed to a remote location inconvenient to soccer fields. Placement closer to the Conex would be helpful. |

6. Matters from Teen Advisory Council

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| a. Membership | The TAC currently consists of 6 teen members representing local schools. Their next meeting will be on Tuesday, October 14 at town hall. Recruitment efforts are underway to increase representation. |
| b. Events | The TAC has been a great asset in assisting with town activities. Their next movie night is October 17 (Movie: Goosebumps). Other coming town events are described below in Section 8.b. |

7. Unfinished and New Business

<p>a. Park Updates</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SFC Equestrian Center – The County delivered a shed to the Center for storage of barrels, poles, and other equipment needed. Other requests for assistance have yet to be fulfilled. The bathroom doors and facility gate are still in need of attention. • Bassett Park – See staff notes in Section 3 about the grant application. • ECHO Ridge Park (Section 34) and Mountain free-ride park – Accent Landscape has installed the 30-foot pole for the elevated security camera to monitor activity at the parking lot. They will be replacing 2 gates at park entry locations – one off Edgewood 7 and one on the gravel road adjacent to the parking lot. They will also be repairing damaged fence along Edgewood 7 Paperwork has been submitted to BLM for transfer of the property to the town of Edgewood and funds are available for the purchase when approved. Plans are to install an elevated security camera adjacent to the parking lot to monitor activity after the work of Accent is completed. One spot where litter was dumped still needs to be cleaned up. See staff notes in Section 3 about the ADA Trail. • Lost Canyon or Poker Draw (Section 32) – The town is working on getting a 25-year lease on the parkland. The status of this effort is uncertain, but it benefits the town by providing more time to complete maintenance and improvements to the trails and land. Easier access to this parkland on both the west and east sides is still being worked on . • Venus Park – See staff notes in Section 3 about the grant application. Turf improvements for the new athletic fields are planned for next year.
<p>b. Events</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Teen Movie Night this month is on Friday, October 17. • The Makers Market will be at the Pavilion on Saturday, October 18. • The Trunk or Treat event will be on Friday, October 31 at Venus Park. Assistance with setup from PRAC members at 5 P.M. is appreciated! • The Zombie Run will be in the morning on Saturday, November 1 at Venus Park. Help from PRAC members is appreciated! • The Twinkle Light Parade and Tree Lighting are scheduled for Friday, December 5. The parade route is expected to start at Municipal Way and proceed down Rt 344 to either the Venus Park entrance or Dinke Road and end in the field adjacent to the Pavilion. Santa Claus will be in the back of a vintage car and do the tree lighting before listening to Christmas wishes of children in the Pavilion. Hot Cocoa and cookies will be served, but the location in the Pavilion is still being worked on. School participation by choirs and bands is also being considered.
<p>c. Trails updates</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The most recent quarterly meeting of EMRTC on Zoom was attended by David Bergsten on September 23. Updates on parks and trails were provided to Roger Holden, Michael Madden, and others on the call.
<p>d. Historic Route 66 100th Anniversary Celebration</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The latest meeting of the planning group for this celebration was held on Wednesday, October 8 at 4 P.M. Lauren Aston, Michael Morrow, and David Bergsten were in attendance for our committee. Dwayne Lambert, Serena Ortiz, Linda Burke, Roger Holden, and Gerry Pohl joined us to discuss the planning.

- Grant money from the State of New Mexico Tourism Council for the Route 66 Centennial Celebrations was approved in the amounts of \$90,000 to cover infrastructure costs and \$10,000 to cover costs of special events. Requests were made based upon estimated costs and anticipated participation.
- Linda Burke took the lead in running this meeting.
- A list of town events during the Centennial year was reviewed and suggestions for additional activities were made. Library events need to be added.
- The kickoff event for this celebration will be the Twinkle Light Parade and Tree Lighting on Friday, December 5. Work on a photo op spot with a vintage car backdrop is also being planned. Other details are in Section 7.b. on events.
- The main parade is tentatively scheduled for Saturday August 15, 2026 from 8-10 A.M. This parade will be followed by the final car show (10 A.M to 3 P.M.) of the year and a block party. Two bands (4-6:30 P.M. and 7-9:30 P.M.) would assist with entertainment on the lot adjacent to Juno Brewery. The parade route will cover the section of Historic Route 66 from Entrada Del Norte Road to Edgewood Route 7/State Route 344. After the parade cars may either circle back on Walker Road, proceed to the car show or drive off as needed. Some logistics of parking for this event still need to be worked out.
- Monthly car shows for specific types, makes, and models of vehicle Are planned for each warm month of the year to draw in interested auto owners and clubs. Car shows are tentatively planned for set-up on lots or land adjacent to Rich Ford on Historic Route 66. Permission to use these sites is still needed. The date for the first car show is planned to coincide with National Mustang Day (April 18, 2026). The second car show will be on May 16, 2026. The third car show will be in conjunction with the annual car show set up by Tony Jaramillo on June 21, 2026 at Venus Park. The fourth car show will be part of the July 4 Independence Day celebrations. The final car show will be after the parade on August 15, 2026.
- History photos and short stories are still needed for Edgewood's Rt 66 website. Collaboration with the East Mountain Historical Society may assist with this.
- A list of events and dates are needed for Legacy Ranch. Dwayne Lambert will talk with them later this week about this.
- The dates for the Cowboy Church Saddle Series Rodeos and any chuckwagon event are needed.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Information about the locations of Geocaching boxes is needed for those searching for these landmarks. One box in ECHO Ridge Park is still active and possibly one box off Rt 66 at 6,666 feet of elevation. The next meeting of the group is scheduled for Wednesday, November 12 at 4 P.M. at town hall.
e. Community Pool and Water Park Options	No updates.
f. COLTPAC Issues	No Updates.
9. Future Items	
One item to consider in future planning	
10. Next Meeting	
Wednesday, November 12, 2025 at 6:00 P.M.	
11. Adjourn	
Time: This meeting was adjourned at 7:35 P.M.	
Submitted by: David A. Bergsten, Secretary, Edgewood Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee	
Approved by: Brian McMurtrey Chairperson, Edgewood Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee	