



City of Edgewater

104 N. Riverside Drive
Edgewater, FL 32132

Meeting Minutes Recreation & Cultural Services Board

Wednesday, November 19, 2025

5:30 PM

Council Chambers

1. CALL TO ORDER

Laura Konters, Chair of the Recreation & Cultural Services Board, called the meeting to order at 5:37 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present 5 - Teresa Heavener, Laura Konters, Glenn Powers, Tiffany Sudakis, Hayley Veza

Also Present 1 - Jason O'Keefe

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[AR-2025-0445](#) Minutes from the September 3, 2025 meeting of the Recreational & Cultural Services Board

Attachments: [RCS Board Meeting Minutes 09-03-2025](#)

A motion was made by Tiffany Sudakis, second by Hayley Veza, to approve Minutes from the September 3, 2025 Recreation and Cultural Services Board Meeting. The MOTION was APPROVED unanimously.

Yes 5 - Teresa Heavener, Laura Konters, Glenn Powers, Tiffany Sudakis, Hayley Veza

4. OLD BUSINESS

[AR-2025-0309](#) Board Bylaws Update

Attachments: [Revision of Board Bylaws](#)

The City Attorney has indicated that any Board Bylaws must align with the Land Development Code, which states that the Recreation & Cultural Services Board shall have 7 members. The Board discussed this new information.

A motion was made by Teresa Heavener, second by Tiffany Sudakis, to recommend to City Council that the Recreation & Cultural Services Bylaws be amended to state that the RCS Board shall have 7 members.

Yes 5 - Teresa Heavener, Laura Konters, Glenn Powers, Tiffany Sudakis, Hayley Veza

The Board discussed current applicants and requested that two new appointments be made at the same time as the Bylaws are updated, if possible

A motion was made by Tiffany Sudakis, second by Hayley Vezza, to recommend Lisa Snider and Crystal Weipert to City Council for 3 year appointments to the Recreation & Cultural Services Board.

Yes 5 - Teresa Heavener, Laura Konters, Glenn Powers, Tiffany Sudakis, Hayley Vezza

5. NEW BUSINESS

[AR-2025-0447](#) Glenn Powers Reappointment

Attachments: [Lisa Snider Application](#)
[Crystal Weipert Application](#)

A motion was made by Tiffany Sudakis, second by Laura Konters, to recommend Glenn Powers to City Council for reappointment to the Recreation & Cultural Services Board for a 3 year term, ending October 3, 2028.

Yes 5 - Teresa Heavener, Laura Konters, Glenn Powers, Tiffany Sudakis, Hayley Vezza

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS - None at this time.

7. DISCUSSION ITEMS

Teresa Heavener shared and discussed with the Board, a list of ideas designed to foster community togetherness, lifelong learning and active recreation, making Edgewater a destination for new families and providing a positive blueprint for other communities. Ideas included a bicycle club, river safety education and fun, cultural center programs, with volunteer staffing and community benefits.

Parks & Recreation Director Jason O'Keefe shared some ideas about how the Edgewater is moving forward with sports programs at the YMCA and ballfield use at Hawks Park and Whistle Stop Park, as well as information regarding recent property purchases. He also explained that our Event Coordinator has resigned and that her duties are currently being covered by other Parks Department staff.

Tiffany Sudakis suggested finding non-profit groups to work with in order to implement some of Teresa Heavener's ideas and asked about guidelines for creating "Friends Of..." Facebook pages related to these projects. Ms. Heavener offered to head up the Bike Club project and Ms. Sudakis is taking the lead on the Butterfly Garden mural project.

The Board discussed the Butterfly Garden mural project and meeting with artists for a large mural on the Hawks Park concession, with wings and potentially a butterfly life cycle, as well as additional art in a smaller area, with a child's concept. Ms. Sudakis suggested creating a template to provide to

local art teachers, so they may have their students submit small mural concepts and a winner would be announced at the April Earth Day event.

Laura Konters departed the meeting at 6:26 p.m.

Ms. Vezza suggested we print and offer yard signs to Holiday Light Decorating Contest participants and update the sign-up sheet with a disclaimer about the signs, in an effort to foster more community awareness of the contest. The Board discussed the Christmas Parade Grand Marshall and Glenn Powers and Teresa Heavener volunteered to be Christmas Parade judges.

[AR-2025-0199](#) Parks & Recreation Director's Report

[AR-2025-0449](#) Board Reports

8. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING

January 21 or 28 at 5:30 p.m., were suggested as potential dates for the next Board meeting, to be confirmed via e-mail later. The date ended up being February 18, 2026 to achieve a quorum.

9. ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.