



City of Lawton

Lawton Enhancement Trust Authority

Lawton City Hall
212 SW 9th Street
Lawton, Oklahoma
73501-3944

Agenda

Wednesday, March 11, 2026

3:00 PM

Lawton City Hall
3rd Floor Conference Room

Meeting Called to Order and Roll Call

"Official action can be taken only on items which appear on the agenda. The Authority may adopt, approve, ratify, deny, defer, recommend, or continue any agenda item. The Authority may also propose and enact floor amendments to any matter presented before them. When more information is needed to act on an item, the Authority may refer the matter to City Staff. Under certain circumstances, items are deferred to a specific later date or stricken from the agenda entirely."

Statement of Compliance with Oklahoma Open Meeting Act, 25 O.S. 301-314

Introduction of Guests

Reports

1. Receive a report from Parks and Recreation regarding departmental projects and monthly updates and take action as deemed necessary.
2. Receive a report from the Executive Director regarding ongoing LETA projects and departmental updates and take action as deemed necessary.
3. Receive Monthly Ward Updates from Trustees and take action as deemed necessary.

Business Items

1. Consider approving the minutes of the February 11, 2026, meeting.
2. Consider approving the list of expenses for the period covering February 7, 2026 – March 6, 2026.
3. Consider approving the Financial Statements for the month of February 2026.
4. Consider approving a request from the Great Plains Chapter of AMBUCS in the amount of \$3,000 to support the Fly-A-Flag program along Gore Boulevard.
5. Considering taking action to grant \$5,000 in LETA funds for trees and landscaping at McMahon Memorial Auditorium, with funds to be paid after completion of services directly to landscaper contracted by auditorium

renovation firm CDBL.

6. Receive an update on the upcoming Eye Candy Awards Gala and consider voting on award recipients for the following categories: Kids First Champion, Champion Volunteer, Visionary Leader, and the Rosemary Bellino Lifetime Achievement Award.
7. Select award recipients for the Yard of the Year and Best Commercial Business of the Year Awards for the upcoming Eye Candy Awards Gala.
8. Select the recipient of donations raised through the silent auction of flower arrangements at the upcoming Eye Candy Awards Gala.
9. Receive an update regarding the upcoming Trash Off event and consider voting on the proposed t-shirt design for the event.

Adjournment

The City of Lawton encourages participation from all of its citizens. If participation at any public meeting is not possible due to a disability, notification to the City Clerk at (580) 581-3305 at least 48 hours prior to the scheduled meeting is encouraged to make the necessary accommodations. The City may waive the 48 hour rule if interpreters for the deaf (signing) is not the necessary accommodation."

Item Title:

Consider approving the minutes of the February 11, 2026, meeting.

Initiator: Tammy Branstetter, Senior Deputy City Clerk

Information Source: Tammy Branstetter, Senior Deputy City Clerk

Background:

Minutes from the February 11, 2026, LETA meeting have been drafted and are awaiting approval.

Correlation to the True North Statement:

Transparency and Trust

Exhibit:

February 11, 2026, draft minutes

Key Issues:

N/A

Funding Source:

N/A

Recommended Action:

Approve the minutes of the February 11, 2026, meeting.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Draft LETA Minutes 02.11.2026



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Minutes

Wednesday, February 11, 2026

3:00 PM

Lawton City Hall
3rd Floor Conference Room

Meeting Called to Order and Roll Call

Chairman Ezerski called the meeting to order at 3:00PM in the 3rd floor conference room of City Hall.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Dwain Baxter, Ted Symuleski, Charles Owens, Barry Ezerski, Lane Hooton, Addie Smith, Dwight Tanner, Joshua Hale, *Onreka Johnson

ABSENT: Johnny Owens (excused), Chris Rabon (excused)

OTHERS PRESENT: Dewayne Burk, Deputy City Manager; Caitlin Gatlin, Communications & Marketing; Neal Kirmer, Communications & Marketing; Tammy Branstetter, City Clerk's Office; Garrett Lam, City Attorney's Office; Kelvin Ingram, Community Enrichment and Parks & Recreation Deputy Director / LETA Executive Director; Larry Parks, Community Enrichment and Parks & Recreation Director; John Saville, Financial Services; Kaitlin Nunley, Financial Services; Tiffiney Dimery, Ward 4 Councilperson; Dr. Rosemary Bellino, Former City Council Member and former President of Lawton Beautiful, Inc; Matina Davis, Citizen of the Community

*Arrived at 3:04 PM

Chairman Ezerski said we want to welcome Joshua Hale, our new member who is representing Ward 1. We will also have a new Ward 4 representative, and that's Onreka Johnson. She's running a little bit late. She'll be here in a little bit, so I'm excited to have her join our group as well.

Statement of Compliance with Oklahoma Open Meeting Act, 25 O.S. 301-314

Chairman Ezerski verified with Branstetter that the meeting notice and agenda were posted in accordance with the Oklahoma Open Meetings Act.

Introduction of Guests

Guests of the meeting introduced themselves.

Reports

1. Receive a report from Parks and Recreation regarding departmental projects and monthly updates and take action as deemed necessary.

Kelvin Ingram, Deputy Director of Parks and Recreation, gave a report on departmental projects and monthly updates.

Ingram said I'm sitting in for my director, Mr. Larry Parks, who had to step out. So I'm well-versed in what we need to discuss. Our first thing we'd like to discuss is in reference to the Dunbar Elementary School Memorial. As you can see, I've passed out a few flyers there. What you have before you is version number nine. That's a small update from what you may have in the packet there. Again, this is in line with the background. Just to re-brief you, it's a critical role in our city's educational history. And it brings together community support, our cultural continuity, and also a significant civil resilience achievement for our former students, families, and our broader community.

Ingram said in accordance with our local historians, community organizations, and former Dunbar alumni, again, we're proposing installing a permanent memorial monument here within the Lemuel Harkey Park near the school site. And where that school is geographically located is on the south side of Ward 7, right in the vicinity of the Lawton Municipal Airport. It's on the corner of SW Douglas and 17th Street. As you can see on that lot there, the school lot is already demoed. However, right across from the street on the south side is Lemuel Harkey Park. And where that monument goes is right by the turn-in going into the park. So it can be seen from the school right there in front of the park. It's going to be more or less recognizing three key components of that monument.

Ingram said what you see there is an update on how it's going to look. We have all the materials. About 90% of the material is headstone. We're asking to move forward with this project, subject to any questions and comments.

Chairman Ezerski said we do have an agenda item for that, so we'll vote for it then.

Ingram said we're finishing up with our phase two — as you can see, Mocine Park, Gooch Acres, 35th Division — the finalization of phase two of our Lawton City Parks is being wrapped up as we speak. Also, what you're going to start seeing done in phase three, that's with Harmon Park and the Lee West splash pad. Again, we're getting permitting for that over at the Lee West splash pad — the park has just opened. Also, on the 18th, the Thunder Foundation is going to do another dedication for the basketball court there, so you should start seeing advertising for that as well.

Ingram said Eastside Park, Great Plains, Kathy Newcombe, Stephens, Harkey Park, Patriot and Putney Park will be in the rounds of phase three.

Caitlin Gatlin, Communications and Marketing, said I actually think that's the 28th.

Ingram said I stand corrected — the 28th of February will be the rededication of the basketball court. They were not able to make it during the Lee West ceremony, so they want to take this time to do a special stand-alone for this basketball court. So I ask each one of us if you can gather the time and support, come out there and support us for that.

Gatlin said this will be publicized a little bit more very soon — we're waiting for information to come back from the foundation.

2. Receive a report from the Executive Director regarding ongoing LETA projects and take action as deemed necessary.

Kelvin Ingram, LETA Executive Director, gave a report regarding ongoing LETA projects.

Ingram said the 2025 Holiday in the Park recovery at Elmer Thomas is underway. We're working due diligence with the Holiday in the Park Committee and also their various contract supports, such as Teen Challenge, to get our park back to its state. We gave a deadline of mid-February. We're going to try to do as much as possible throughout this week and next to get our park recovered so we can recover from the 2025 Holiday Park and move over to other activities. Things that we're going to start taking down are the Santa Hat and the big large items. We'll be moving things around so we can start to see an aesthetic look back into our park again.

Ingram said Safe and Clean Neighborhoods submitted a report as well. This should also be in your packet, and we'll be able to talk about that in some detail. Park improvements, again, we just talked about. Permits are being issued for the Lee West Splash pad.

Ingram said the Veterans Brick Sidewalk Project is underway. I plan to log on to this website to get a grasp of how this process works with the engraving. I've done an on-site recon on how this looks, how those sidewalks look, and it's like certain areas inside this walkway from the Fort Sill Apache convenience store going east to Flower Mound, as you walk along that sidewalk, there are paved sidewalks, but there's an etched-in brick layout. So what you'll start hearing from me as well is getting that started. I understand there have been various points of contact on getting bricks purchased and paid so we can move forward with this project.

Ingram said I've had a series of bounce arounds from points of contact with the ASEZ mural project from the last meeting. I had Deacon David Maldonado come in to talk about the project that goes under the underpass on F Street and 2nd Avenue. What we had to do was contact the railroad company through various contacts. So I'm on contact number four now, being bounced around, getting in touch with the right person. I did get supposedly the right person — I think it's Stillwater Railroad. There's an application process. It's not that they don't want us paying, it's a liability. That's basically what it boils down to — it's just a liability. My request for information to him is on the application there is a fee. My goal is we need to get this waived so we can move forward with this

project. I've not been in touch with Deacon Maldonado in reference to this until I get all that information.

Tanner said the railroad is the one that owns the bridge, it's not the city's property, correct?

Ingram said that is correct.

Ingram said we've conducted this morning our in-progress review number two for the 9-11 project with Ms. Leday-Mauney, our city engineers, our Director of Arts and Humanities, Mr. Parks and myself over at the Public Safety building. What's going to happen is we're leaning towards putting it in front of the front door at the front of the Public Safety building. We were on the ground today to discuss that. What we do owe, just as an update, but also the Planning Commission and then take it to the City Council, but we're not there yet now. CDBL, who was also there, owes us a sketch, groundwork and costs that are associated. So we're not ready for that. So what I foresee, not only with the ASEZ mural project and this one, we're not trying to kick the can, but there's due process we must do before we commit to these projects.

Ingram said we are also underway with the other project at East Side Park. I know that's more driven by the Lawton Youth Sports Trust Authority, but expect to hear more about this very soon.

Chairman Ezerski said do we have a date for the Trash Off yet?

Ingram said I'll get that information for you.

Chairman Ezerski said it's usually at the end of April or the first of May. We usually help sponsor t-shirts for that.

3. Receive Monthly Ward Updates from Trustees and take action as deemed necessary.

No updates were given.

Business Items

1. Consider approving the minutes of the January 14, 2026, meeting.

A copy of the minutes of the January 14, 2026, meeting may be obtained from the City Clerk's Office upon request.

Motion by Hooton, **Second** by Symuleski, to approve the minutes of the January 14, 2026, meeting. **AYE:** Hooton, Baxter, Smith, Symuleski, Tanner, Ezerski, Charles Owens, Johnson, Hale. **NAY:** None. **MOTION PASSED.**

2. Consider approving the list of expenses for the period covering January 7,

2026 – February 6, 2026.

John Saville, Financial Services, presented the list of expenses for the period covering January 7, 2026 – February 6, 2026. A copy of the list of expenses may be obtained from the City Clerk's Office upon request.

Saville said as you can see, there's nothing there. It's been a quiet month as far as the financials go. I did take a look just before I came to the meeting today. There was no activity so far in February, so we have nothing in the pipeline going on, so we really don't have anything to approve.

No action was taken on this item.

3. Consider approving the Financial Statements for the month of January 2026.

John Saville, Financial Services, presented the Financial Statements for the month of January 2026. A copy of the Financial Statements may be obtained from the City Clerk's Office upon request.

Saville said I have with me today Kaitlin Nunley. She will be sitting in to report next month.

Saville said the cash is \$342,342.83, and as you can see, that's split out by different categories there. The change in net cash from last month to this month is a decrease of \$7,110.60. That is \$4,479 in court fines that came in. We had \$400 in Dunbar donations over the course of a couple of payments on that. And then \$11,989.60, that was all reported last month, but the check actually cleared, so it came out of the bank in January.

Saville said I will note, I've heard some discussion, and I don't know whether it was with staff or in this meeting, but there's been talk about the Veterans Center sidewalk brick project. And I did notice that that's broken out as one of your itemized items there, showing \$18,707.80. That hasn't changed since I've been reporting on this since I came to the city. So, I'm just bringing that up that that's money that's there.

Chairman Ezerski said we've had people make donations to that. I guess we're just waiting on the bricks.

Saville said I just heard that in conversation somewhere, but I just want to have that in front of you, that there's \$18,000 there, earmarked for that, and it's not on the project list or anything, but it's there. So, again, that gets us to the \$342,342.83. That is your cash. We actually have no payables, no receivables, no activity at all. So we just have the fund balance restricted at \$423,102, and then the under restricted at \$45,677.39. Net loss for the year is \$35,082.19. Those reserved and unreserved haven't changed since I've been reporting. I haven't really taken a deep dive into that. I can. It's just never changed. It's been static. So I'd like to go find out maybe what comprises that.

Saville said on the income statement, the only items of income are \$4,479 in court fines and then the miscellaneous revenue I mentioned on the cash change. So those two items together do represent our monthly net income of \$4,879.

Chairman Ezerski said have we submitted for reimbursement for the hotel motel tax?

Saville said not since we did our initial reimbursement request.

Chairman Ezerski said we've had several expenses that should be reimbursable.

Saville said well, they might be. We'll look at that once we're finished with the tracker. The amount that we have available for beautification that we can pull as of right now, and that will be in your packet as well, the amount we could pull is \$22,158.63. We've pulled \$53,000. We pulled that back in November. The overall for the year to date has been \$147,460, but that's not what's come in. Based on the trend, we're underwater about \$17,565 based on the current trend through seven months. It's kind of ugly.

Chairman Ezerski said as far as what's coming in to the hotel motel tax?

Saville said correct. What's come in actually is \$75,771 through seven months of the fiscal year. If you take that \$147,460 and make that a monthly number, if we're tracking on track, we would've received \$86,018. So we're tracking underwater as we go. But what I've been told by other people that are knowledgeable about this is that it tends to kind of sink lower, but then it can bounce back. So that doesn't mean we're going to be looking at that necessarily at a dire amount; it's just where we're at seven months in.

Chairman Ezerski said have we applied for the \$22,000?

Saville said we have not yet, because there haven't been many expenses here lately. So I'll go back and take another look, but we pulled quite a few in November. I know that one \$11,000 one that I just reported on, that's probably one that we could submit. So that would be about half the amount that we have available to pull. That's something we certainly can do.

Saville said while I'm looking at that page, since we're on this, I did go ahead and look at the other two. We have allocations for Holiday in the Park as well as Freedom Festival fireworks. So I did pull and look at the actual numbers through January. For Holiday in the Park, we have been allocated a total amount of \$19,803.64. Again, that's at the bottom of this hotel-motel tax page that's in your packet. The total allocation was \$38,540. Then for fireworks, the total amount allocated through January is \$71,938.50 against a total allocated amount of \$140,000. We've had no expenses whatsoever come across related to those two topics.

Chairman Ezerski said last month, we approved giving \$90,000 to MWR on post since they're going to be the ones hosting the Freedom Festival this year. Just to refresh everyone's memory, because Elmer Thomas Park is going to be under construction

with the amphitheater and so forth, everything that's going to happen the last weekend in June will happen on post. So that \$90,000—do you know when that check is going to be cut?

Saville said was that actually a vote to do that in that meeting?

Tammy Branstetter, City Clerk's Office, said I believe it ended up getting taken off because of the way the agenda item was worded. Garrett had spoken up about that.

Chairman Ezerski said we're going to need to approve that probably at the next meeting.

Branstetter said I can reach out to Jason Poudrier.

Saville said if we have some expenses against that, we can certainly draw because there is money there.

Chairman Ezerski said that's going to pay for the drone show and fireworks that Post is going to actually be putting on. So we're partnering with them this year, and they're supposed to have a concert and some other things to go along with it. We'll have to get with Jason on that and see how he's negotiated with Fort Sill.

Saville said looking at the expense tracker and the project tracker, really there's no activity there again. The only activity on the income and expense tracker that shows the revenue to date is just that court fine and then the donation that came in. There are no expenses. So that net income loss at the bottom, \$35,082.19, does tie back to the balance sheet net income. Available projects are \$34,404.94. Again, I really didn't change anything on here because there's not been any activity. And then the stuff having to do with the light post for the engineer and then the hanging of the lights. There was a mention in the minutes about that. I reviewed that, and it said that would be dealt with at a later date. I was questioning last month whether we need to release that encumbrance, and I think it was just the direction was.

Chairman Ezerski said probably the idea is that eventually we're going to buy another block of lights, and then when they can get to it they will. And then we're pretty much going to have to work that way if we want to have the city staff do the project, and it's just going to be as they have time. I mean it's a small crew, unfortunately. It took them a lot longer, I think, than they thought it was going to take to do it, so we'll just have to work with them. If they can't do it then we may have to go back and look and see if it's worth it to hire somebody to do it.

Motion by Hooton, **Second** by Baxter, to approve the Financial Statements for the month of January 2026 as presented. **AYE:** Hooton, Baxter, Smith, Symuleski, Tanner, Ezerski, Charles Owens, Johnson, Hale. **NAY:** None. **MOTION PASSED.**

4. Consider approving funding in the amount of \$5,000.00 for the Dunbar

Elementary School Memorial Project.

Kelvin Ingram, LETA Executive Director, provided background information on this item.

Ingram said the estimated cost range can be found on page 37. Again, we have most of these items. Over 90% of these items are secured. We have an abundance of actual bricks from the school so they can be part of the memorial as well.

Ingram said this is a historical mark that also unifies our community, especially in this area and that part of Lawton, Oklahoma. What we're asking for is \$5,000 to go ahead and get this approved so it can bring traction to this much needed project.

Tanner said Charles had mentioned that the first picture did not look, to him, like Mr. Harkey. Just make sure whatever pictures you get are accurate.

Ingram said I'll go back with Councilwoman Sherene Williams to ensure accuracy. I know some of the verbiage in some of this is going to change as well. This item will also go to the Planning Commission and to Council.

Motion by Tanner, **Second** by Charles Owens, to approve \$5,000 for the Dunbar Elementary School Memorial Project. **AYE:** Hooton, Baxter, Smith, Symuleski, Tanner, Ezerski, Charles Owens, Johnson, Hale. **NAY:** None. **MOTION PASSED.**

5. Discuss the upcoming 2026 Eye Candy Awards Gala and take action as deemed necessary.

Caitlin Gatlin, Communications and Marketing, provided background information on this item.

Gatlin said it's almost that time of year. We usually have the Eye Candy Gala on the second Friday of April. Of course, you all can choose to change that date if necessary. But what you have in front of you is a place where citizens can go to actually make the nominations for our awardees, those being the Rosemary Bellino Lifetime Achievement Award, the Visionary Leader Award, the Champion Volunteer Award, and our Kids First Champion that we introduced as an award last year. So in the past, what we've done is, as a committee, we bring those potential names to you and ask, hey, is there anybody else that you'd like to be considered? We've tried this method before to reach out to our citizens to ask them to submit nominations. I think, and maybe just me being optimistic, I think that we're going to have better luck this year having citizens kind of engage in this process. The dates that are on this flyer are not set in stone. That's kind of what I'm going to check with you guys about. So, if we're going to stick with the same schedule that we have in the past, then it would fall on April 10th. If you wanted to move it a week later, a week before, then of course I could update that on that flyer. And that's the deadline to nominate. I just put a month before. That way, I could go out and interview these people.

Gatlin said if you've been to our Eye Candy Gala, you know that we feature these

individuals. I go out, I shoot a nice video with them, kind of just learn a little bit more about their background. The video will play during the event. There's a nice dinner that's catered, and it's really just fellowship with people in our community and, of course, the LETA board that has the same interest in keeping Lawton beautiful. So that's what the flyers are about. That's kind of what the nomination process is about. One thing that I did kind of just want to bring up — we've been doing this format at the Lawton Farmers Market for, well, since 2023, I think it was the first year that we did it there. So we've kept the same format. We've kept the same location and timeframe. Really, not much has changed except for the awards that we give. Last year, we gave some original artwork by Kathy Warren that I thought was just so beautiful. So any feedback on how you feel, those of you that have been there, the past events have gone. If there's anything that you'd like to see changed in terms of date, location, time, just anything within the program. We'd love that feedback so we can start getting to planning.

Chairman Ezerski said I thought last year's events was great. I didn't see anything that really needed to be changed much. I thought the format worked well, and I got good feedback from everybody who attended.

Ingram said is this an invite? How do you get to this event?

Gatlin said the individuals that are selected to receive the awards get their own table, but also we sell tickets to the public for \$25 a piece. We also ask for that kind of in advance. There will be a cut-off date to get your tickets so we can let the caterer know what to expect.

Chairman Ezerski said I don't think we need to move it up any because the weekend before is Easter. So, I think the 10th is probably good as any unless somebody wants to move back another week.

Tanner said what time do we start?

Gatlin said 6:00 PM.

Chairman Ezerski said we'll have to approve the nominations at our next meeting.

Gatlin said this is one of my favorite things that we do, because it's beautiful. The flowers are beautiful. We're going into spring. It's just, it's a nice and refreshing event. So I'm looking forward to those who haven't gone before to be there this year. It'll be great.

No action was taken on this item.

6. Consider appointing a Chairperson for the upcoming 2026 Eye Candy Awards Gala.

Tanner said I think Addie did an excellent job last year.

Motion by Tanner, **Second** by Hooton, to appoint Addie Smith as Chairperson. **AYE:** Hooton, Baxter, Smith, Symuleski, Tanner, Ezerski, Charles Owens, Johnson, Hale. **NAY:** None. **MOTION PASSED.**

Adjournment

Motion by Johnson, **Second** by Baxter, to adjourn the February 11, 2026, meeting. **AYE:** Hooton, Baxter, Smith, Symuleski, Tanner, Ezerski, Charles Owens, Johnson, Hale. **NAY:** None. **MOTION PASSED.**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:36 PM.

Item Title:

Consider approving the list of expenses for the period covering February 7, 2026 – March 6, 2026.

Initiator: John Saville

Information Source: John Saville

Background:

The list of expenses for the period from February 7, 2026 – March 6, 2026, has been compiled and is now awaiting approval.

Correlation to the True North Statement:

Transparency and Trust

Exhibit:

List of Expenses from February 7, 2026 – March 6, 2026

Key Issues:

N/A

Funding Source:

LETA

Recommended Action:

Approve the list of expenses for the period covering February 7, 2026 – March 6, 2026, as presented.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Expenses 2.07.26 - 03.06.2026

LETA EXPENSES TO APPROVE
PERIOD COVERING 2/07/2026 TO 03/06/2026

VENDOR NAME	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	INVOICE DATE	PAY DATE	INVOICE NO	CHECK NO	DESCRIPTION
Bedrock Nursery	Repairs, Maint. & Replanting	2,950.00	02/13/26	2/19/2026	16132	3146	2nd Street Irrigation Repair

Item Title:

Consider approving the Financial Statements for the month of February 2026.

Initiator: John Saville

Information Source: John Saville

Background:

The Authority's financial statements for February 2026 have been compiled and are now awaiting approval.

Correlation to the True North Statement:

Transparency and Trust

Exhibit:

February 2026 Financial Report

Key Issues:

N/A

Funding Source:

LETA

Recommended Action:

Approve the Financial Statements for the month of February 2026 as presented.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. LETA Balance Sheet February 2026
2. LETA Profit & Loss February 2026
3. Income and Expense Tracker February 2026
4. LETA Beautification Presentation HM Analysis at 2-28-2026

**Lawton Enhancement Trust Authority
Balance Sheet**

**As of February
28, 2026**

ASSETS

Current Assets

Checking/Savings

CITY NATIONAL BANK

LETA

LETA Beautification Fund	67,992.56
LETA Hotel/Motel Tax	130,374.08
LETA Misc	5,338.50
Total LETA	203,705.14

Committed Funds	3,802.02
Dunbar Elementary Memorial Project	6,100.00
Veterans Cntr Sidewalk Brick Prj (R)	18,707.80

Children United (C)	18,234.54
Freedom Festival (C)	35,535.92
Cultural Preservation (C)	5,835.25

2nd Street Project (R)	7,201.86
Downtown Lights (R)	4,245.00
Grant- Navy Memorial Eagle Sct Prj (R)	8,902.00
Grant - Goldstar Family Memorial (R)	637.50
Playground in the Park (R)	0.00
Skate Park (R)	30,808.88
Shepler Park (R)	1,451.14

Total CITY NATIONAL BANK	345,167.05
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Other Current Assets

Total Other Current Assets	0.00
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Total Current Assets	345,167.05
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TOTAL ASSETS	345,167.05
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LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Liabilities

Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable	407.75
Total Account Payable	407.75

Other Current Liabilities	0.00
Total Other Current Liabilities	0.00

Total Current Liabilities	407.75
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Total Liabilities	407.75
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Equity

Net Assets - Restricted	423,102.41
Net Assets - Unrestricted	(45,677.39)
Net Income	(32,665.72)
Total Equity	344,759.30

TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	345,167.05
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Lawton Enhancement Trust Authority

Profit & Loss

February 28, 2026

Ordinary Income/Expense

Income

Hotel/Motel Income	0.00
LETA Court Fees Income	5,744.00
Miscellaneous Income	0.00
Interest Income	30.22
Total Income	5,774.22

Expense

Supplies, Tools, and Equipment	0.00
Bank Service Charge	0.00
Beautification Projects	0.00
Dues and Memberships	0.00
LETA Grants	0.00
Miscellaneous Expense	0.00
Repairs, Maintenance & Replanting	3,357.75
Professional & Technical Service	0.00
Repairs, Maint. and Replanting	0.00
Rental, Publication, Printing	0.00
Yard of the Month Award	0.00
Total Expense	3,357.75

Net Ordinary Income 2,416.47

Other Income

Other Income	
Total Other Income	0.00

Other Expense

H/M Holiday in the Park	0.00
H/M Freedom Festival	0.00
Total Other Expense	0.00

Net Other Income 0.00

Net Income **2,416.47**

LAWTON ENHANCEMENT TRUST AUTHORITY
2025-2026 INCOME & EXPENSE TRACKER
through February 28, 2026

Revenue	2025/2026 Budget	Income to Date	% Collected
Hotel/Motel Tax (5% Allocation)	\$147,460.00	\$53,613.16	36.4%
Holiday in the Park Hotel Motel	\$38,540.00	\$0.00	0.0%
Freedom Festival Hotel Motel	\$140,000.00	\$0.00	0.0%
LETA Beautification Fund (Municipal Fines)	\$42,000.00	\$31,451.00	74.9%
Local Grants	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.0%
Other Donations & Miscellaneous Income	\$150.00	\$6,169.80	4113.2%
Earned Interest	\$502.17	\$191.09	38.1%
Trash Off Event Fees & Donations	\$125.00	\$0.00	0.0%
Eye Candy Awards Banquet Sales/Donations	\$250.00	\$0.00	0.0%
Freedom Festival	\$34,500.00	\$0.00	0.0%
Children United	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	0.0%
Project Donations	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	0.0%
Cultural Preservation	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.0%
Gifts in Kind - Services	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.0%
TOTAL REVENUE	\$409,527.17	\$91,425.05	22.3%

Expenses	2025/2026 Budget	Year-to-Date Expenses	Exp/Prj Pending	Budget Remaining
Supplies, Tools & Equipment	\$100.00	\$0.00		\$100.00
Repairs, Maintenance and Replanting	\$108,350.00	\$57,027.07		\$51,322.93
Rental, Publishing, Printing, Miscellaneous	\$500.00	\$0.00		\$500.00
Prof & Technical Services	\$8,500.00	\$0.00		\$8,500.00
Postage and Delivery	\$250.00	\$0.00		\$250.00
Dues, Memberships, and Subscriptions	\$400.00	\$200.00		\$200.00
Other Expenses (<i>Dunbar Elementary Project</i>)	\$8,935.00	\$0.00	\$6,100.00	\$2,835.00
Bank Service Charge	\$70.00	\$0.00		\$70.00
LETA Grant Awards	\$35,537.02	\$0.00		\$35,537.02
Local Grant Expense	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
Eye Candy Awards Banquet	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00
Yard of the Month	\$17,000.00	\$482.00		\$16,518.00
LETA Beautification Projects	\$90,570.00	\$64,170.95	\$30,917.92	(\$4,518.87)
Playground in the Park	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
LETA H/M Holiday In the Park	\$38,540.00	\$0.00		\$38,540.00
Trash Off Event	\$4,600.00	\$0.00		\$4,600.00
Freedom Festival	\$47,317.68	\$1,733.75		\$45,583.93
Children United	\$20,284.54	\$0.00		\$20,284.54
LETA H/M Freedom Festival	\$140,000.00	\$477.00		\$139,523.00
Cultural Preservation	\$1,731.95	\$0.00	\$537.02	\$1,194.93
LETA Veteran Sidewalk Project	\$21,707.80	\$0.00		\$21,707.80
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$554,393.99	\$124,090.77		\$382,748.28
NET INCOME(LOSS) YTD		(32,665.72)		
TOTAL PROJECTS REMAINING			\$47,554.94	

**LETA BEAUTIFICATION ANALYSIS
HOTEL MOTEL TAX ALLOCATION
FY 26 (JULY 2025-JUNE 2026)**

LETA Schedule				
Approved Budget:		147,460.00	Allocation %: 6.1182%	
Month	Allocation	Reimbursement	Invoice Unpaid	Amt Remaining
July	9,807.05			9,807.05
August	12,502.29			22,309.34
September	15,962.93			38,272.26
October	9,881.24			48,153.51
November	11,506.93			59,660.43
December	9,039.53	53,613.16		15,086.80
January	7,071.83			22,158.63
February	8,679.39			30,838.02
March	-			
April	-			
May	-			
June	-			
FYE26	84,451.18	53,613.16		
Currently Available To Draw				30,838.02
Contract Amount Remaining :				93,846.84

Analysis:

	Annual Trend	Annual Allocation	Reduced Dollars Based on Trend
Annual Trend based on 8 months of actual allocations →	126,676.78	147,460.00	(20,783.22)

Allocation	147,460.00	
Draw 1	(53,613.16)	
Amount Remaining	93,846.84	Based on Receiving Full Allocation
	(20,783.22)	Reduced Dollars Rec'd Based on Trend
	73,063.62	Est Amount Remaining Based on Trend
Through 8 Months:		
Actual Amount Allocated	84,451.18	85.91%
Approved Budget	98,306.67	(\$147,460.00 / 12)*8
	(13,855.48)	Dollar Reduction July - January 2026
	(6,927.74)	Est Dollar Reduction February - June 2026
	(20,783.22)	Est Dollar Reduction for FY26

Other Hotel Motel Tax Allocations

	Allocation %	Actual Allocated as of February 2026	FY 26 Annual Trend (8 months)	FY 26 Approved Budget	Percent Received Trend Vs Budget
Holiday in the Park	1.5991%	22,072.08	33,108.12	38,540.00	85.91%
Freedom Festival Fireworks	5.8087%	80,178.80	120,268.20	140,000.00	85.91%

Item Title:

Consider approving a request from the Great Plains Chapter of AMBUCS in the amount of \$3,000 to support the Fly-A-Flag program along Gore Boulevard.

Initiator: Barry Ezerski, Chairman

Information Source: Barry Ezerski, Chairman

Background:

The Great Plains Chapter of AMBUCS has submitted a request for \$3,000 to renew its Fly-A-Flag program along Gore Boulevard. The program places American flags along the corridor during several designated holidays throughout the year, including Armed Forces Day, Memorial Day, Flag Day, Independence Day, Patriot Day, and Veterans Day.

The organization coordinates the installation and removal of the flags for each holiday, weather permitting. The program has been supported in previous years and helps enhance the appearance of the Gore Boulevard corridor while promoting community pride and patriotism.

Correlation to the True North Statement:

This item supports the City’s True North Culture Statement by promoting a safe community, encouraging pride in a community of choice where families thrive, and engaging citizens in activities that enhance the appearance and sense of unity throughout Lawton.

Exhibit:

LETA Fly-A-Flag Renewal Letter

Key Issues:

N/A

Funding Source:

LETA

Recommended Action:

Approve the request from the Great Plains Chapter of AMBUCS in the amount of \$3,000 to support the Fly-A-Flag program along Gore Boulevard.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. LETA Fly-A-Flag Renewal Letter



City of Lawton
Attn: Lawton Enhancement Trust Authority (LETA)
212 SW 9th Street
Lawton, OK 73501-3944

Dear LETA Board of Directors,

On behalf of the Great Plains Chapter of AMBUCS. We want to thank you again for approving the placement of 50 flags that covered Gore Boulevard last year. We feel the flag placement on the six holidays really showcased Lawton-Fort Sill's patriotism and esthetically enhanced LETA's mission.

AMBUCS is a national service organization whose mission is to inspire people to conquer challenges related to mobility and independence, through a nationwide network of volunteer chapters, working in partnership with physical, occupational and speech therapists; by providing AmTryke adaptive trykes, scholarships for therapists, and many forms of community service, like building wheelchair accessible ramps.


Our Fly-A-Flag program assists us with raising money for therapists' scholarships. We will place 50 flags on Gore Boulevard for 6 holidays: Armed Forces Day, Memorial Day, Flag Day, Independence Day, Patriot Day and Veterans Day. Flags may not be installed during inclement weather. We sometimes install one week in advance of the holiday and collect flags within one week after the holiday. If we need to alter the install and removal of flags, let us know.

We collect annually for the Fly-A-Flag program. The fee is \$60 per flag. We are requesting LETA to consider renewing the placement of 50 flags that will cover Gore Boulevard. The annual fee is \$3,000. Our goal is to continue our mission through the flying of the American flag in our community.

We are available to speak at a board meeting, if needed. We appreciate your consideration in our chapter continuing LETA's mission of beautifying and aesthetically enhancing the appearance of the City of Lawton by continuing flying American flags on the city streets.

Sincerely,


Tanna Harris
Fly-A-Flag Chairperson


Monte Brown
Chapter President

Item Title:

Considering taking action to grant \$5,000 in LETA funds for trees and landscaping at McMahon Memorial Auditorium, with funds to be paid after completion of services directly to landscaper contracted by auditorium renovation firm CDBL.

Initiator: Jason Poudrier, Arts & Humanities - Administrator

Information Source: Jason Poudrier, Arts & Humanities - Administrator

Background:

The McMahon Memorial Auditorium is planning landscaping improvements, including trees and other plantings, to enhance the property following recent renovations. Granting LETA funds for this project will support the completion of these improvements, with funds to be paid directly to the landscaper after services are rendered.

Correlation to the True North Statement:

Transparency and Trust

Exhibit:

N/A

Key Issues:

N/A

Funding Source:

LETA

Recommended Action:

Approve granting \$5,000 in LETA funds for trees and landscaping at McMahon Memorial Auditorium.

ATTACHMENTS:

None

Item Title:

Receive an update on the upcoming Eye Candy Awards Gala and consider voting on award recipients for the following categories: Kids First Champion, Champion Volunteer, Visionary Leader, and the Rosemary Bellino Lifetime Achievement Award.

Initiator: Caitlin Gatlin, Communication & Marketing Manager

Information Source: Caitlin Gatlin, Communication & Marketing Manager, Jason Poudrier, Arts & Humanities - Administrator

Background:

The Eye Candy Awards Gala recognizes outstanding individuals and organizations within our community who demonstrate exceptional leadership, volunteerism, and dedication to making a positive impact. This year's Gala will be held on April 10th at the Lawton Farmer's Market.

The Marketing and Communications team opened nominations to the public, allowing community members to provide input on potential award recipients. They will be sharing this feedback with the Authority to highlight community perspectives and ensure the awards reflect the values and priorities of those we serve.

The awards for this year are defined as follows:

Kids First Champion: A person or organization that demonstrates an outstanding commitment to improving the lives of children and families in the community. Through leadership, service, and advocacy, a Kids First Champion actively supports programs, partnerships, or initiatives that help young people thrive. This award recognizes those who put children at the center of their efforts to create a meaningful, lasting impact for the next generation.

Champion Volunteer: An individual who gives their time and energy to strengthen the community through consistent, selfless service. This award honors volunteers who go above and beyond to support local programs, events, or organizations, making a meaningful difference through their dedication, generosity, and commitment to helping others.

Visionary Leader: An individual who inspires progress through bold ideas, forward thinking, and a strong commitment to the community's future. This award recognizes leaders who drive meaningful change, foster collaboration, and set a clear direction that helps others grow and succeed.

Rosemary Bellino Lifetime Achievement Award: This award honors an individual whose lifelong dedication has made a lasting and meaningful impact on the Lawton community. It recognizes sustained excellence in service, leadership, and advocacy, celebrating a legacy of commitment that has helped shape and strengthen the lives of others for generations.

Correlation to the True North Statement:

This item reflects our commitment to the citizen—recognizing and celebrating individuals whose leadership, service, and dedication make a meaningful impact on the lives of those we serve.

Exhibit:

Eye Candy Gala 2026 Nominations

Key Issues:

N/A

Funding Source:

LETA

Recommended Action:

Vote on award recipients for the following categories: Kids First Champion, Champion Volunteer, Visionary Leader, and the Rosemary Bellino Lifetime Achievement Award.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Eye Candy Gala 2026 Nominations

EYE CANDY GALA 2026 NOMINATIONS

18 VOTES TOTAL

KidsFirst Champion:

- **Larry Parks / City of Lawton**
- **Stephanie Mosely / Lawton Fort Sill Arts Council (2 votes)**
- **Comanche County Community Coalition**
- **Matt Brown / Fort Sill Golf Club (See photos)**

Champion Volunteer:

- **Sharmain Cooper-Richardson / Lady Luxury Lanes 3L Car Club LLC (3 votes)**
- **DJ Lady Solo / Unknown Organization**

Visionary Leader:

- **Sharmain Cooper-Richardson / Lady Luxury Lanes 3L Car Club LLC (6 votes)**
- **Larry Parks / City of Lawton**
- **Alonna Collins / No XQCZ (2 votes)**

Rosemary Bellino Lifetime Achievement Award:

- **No nominees**

KidsFirst Champion Nominees

- **Larry Parks / City of Lawton**
 - Larry Parks has worked tirelessly to lead his Community Enrichment staff to improve parks and play units across all wards throughout the City of Lawton, and he is not done! While heading into round three of these efforts, he is not finished in his goal, he has built a foundation and an incredible team of people who are equally inspired by the common goal of KidsFirst. Parks and Recreation is the foundation of KidsFirst. Utilizing funding and grants to maximize the rebuild of play units and parks for the community at several major community gathering points and parks such as Elmer Thomas Park, KidZone, Lee West, Mocine, 35th Division, and countless other park sites. He is heading full force into round three of a park improvement plan that shows no signs of slowing down. Words can't describe the accomplishment, but the excitement of the community can and does daily. This doesn't just include play structures, this includes safety features such as lighting and cameras. These upgrades are not only KidsFirst in fun, but KidsFirst in safety as well.

- **Stephanie Mosley / Lawton Fort Sill Arts Council (2 votes)**
 - The council has worked hard to promote and improve the Children's Workshop every month. This is a free to the public program to encourage the arts for the community. With Stephanie at the head of the Lawton Fort Sill Art Council, the board is working to improve access to the arts for the children of the community.
 - LFSAC is highly deserving of recognition as a Kids First Champion for its unwavering commitment to removing barriers and placing youth at the center of its mission. The organization firmly believes that the arts are not a luxury, but an essential part of a child's development. Through free, accessible programming, the Council ensures that financial limitations never prevent children from experiencing creativity, connection, and growth. Youth are clearly at the forefront of the Council's planning and decision-making. Their free monthly children's workshops and family-focused events are intentionally designed to spark imagination, build confidence, and cultivate a lifelong love for the arts. Beyond teaching artistic skills, the Council fosters belonging, self-expression, and resilience—qualities that positively impact young people far beyond the classroom. LFSAC demonstrates strong leadership, meaningful partnership, and a deep investment in the next generation. Their dedication to accessibility and inclusion creates lasting opportunities for children and families alike. For these reasons, they exemplify what it means to be a true Kids First Champion. For decades, the Lawton Fort Sill Art Council has served the community with a strong focus on youth. Provides free monthly children's workshops, removing financial barriers by supplying all materials. Hosts monthly Community Art Nights that strengthen family connection through creativity. Offers youth opportunities to publicly display their artwork, building confidence and pride. Continues to invest in the next generation by making the arts accessible to all children.

- **Comanche County Community Coalition**

- The Comanche County Community Coalition (C4) demonstrates unwavering commitment to improving the lives of children and families in Comanche County. Since 1988, the coalition's primary focus has been to reduce substance abuse among youth and adults while building a dynamic, effective collaborative effort that includes voices from all corners of the community. Noteworthy efforts that focus on local youth are Red Ribbon Week, Operation Prom and Graduation campaigns, school assemblies, listening sessions and surveys with students, the Youth Summit, and multiple resource fairs and annual community events. C4 thrives on partnerships with local organizations, community members, and volunteers to fuel impactful activities. C4 believes that preventing substance use starts with youth. Over the past decade, C4 has primarily focused on preventing underage drinking and has witnessed remarkable improvements with youth alcohol use in Comanche County, based on the Oklahoma Prevention Needs Assessment (OPNA). From 2018-2024, Comanche County youth reported a 12.0% reduction in youth past 30-day alcohol use, an 18.2% reduction in using alcohol during their lifetime, and 6.7% improvement of not binge drinking in the past 2 weeks. Additionally, Comanche County youth had a 12.8% increase in peer disapproval of alcohol use, 5.9% increase of students perceiving that 1-2 drinks regularly at their age is wrong/very wrong, and 5.5% increase in the perceiving alcohol as hard to get. Prevention doesn't happen overnight, but with consistent results like these it is evident that C4's prevention efforts are creating a meaningful, lasting impact with the next generation. C4's noteworthy achievements center around our work with the local schools and youth. Since 1988, the coalition has collaborated with local schools to host Red Ribbon Week assemblies to educate students about the importance of choosing to live a substance free life. This year, the coalition was able to coordinate with our local law enforcement partners to host 17 assemblies from October 20-27, 2025. Because of these assemblies, the group was able to make face-to-face contact with over 5000 students and hundreds of teachers, staff and administrators. For the past decade, C4 has conducted safe prom and graduation awareness campaigns, which include assisting with school assemblies and mock collisions at high schools. In 2025, the C4 conducted youth focus groups with 6th graders to determine what they were seeing around mental health and substance use. Due to the overwhelming feedback from the students, the coalition decided to create a one-day youth leadership and behavioral health conference to empower youth. Starting in September 2026 and becoming an annual event, the summit will help increase community protective factors and create an opportunity for 300 local 6th graders to demonstrate their leadership skills. Topics will include things like healthy coping skills, relationship building, and the risks of substance misuse. The Summit will also feature over 20 high school upperclassmen as junior presenters and peer mentors to the 6th grade attendees. The C4 envisions this summit and its outreach growing and fostering young leaders to be role models for future generations.

- **Matt Brown / Fort Sill Golf Club**

- Matt is the director of the Ft. Sill Golf Club Jr. Golf Academy. They provide golf lessons for jr golfers in the Lawton/Ft. Sill area ages 5-16 years old. Classes are held in the Spring, Summer & Fall for a total of 24 weeks per year. He provides a safe & fun environment for all students to learn and enjoy. His dedication and hard work have made the jr golf academy an important part of the Lawton/Ft. Sill community. Matt was recently recognized as a top 50 Master Coach by US KIDS from a list of nominees world wide. He started the academy in the Fall of 2023 and classes continue to fill up which is a testament to the outstanding job that is being done.

Champion Volunteer Nominations:

- **Sharmain Cooper-Richardson / Lady Luxury Lanes 3L Car Club LLC (3 votes)**
 - o She is a strong powerful woman who empowers others, who builds herself on being community centered and has dedicated her own life to help others. This organization of women have embodied being community centered, actively involved with many organizations and businesses supporting the local community. All 113 events thrown since they started are all community based and centered.
 - o She deserves this award because she has transformed passion into purpose and community into impact. As the founder of a women led car club, she has created more than just a space for car enthusiasts. She has built a movement rooted in service, unity and compassion. Through her leadership, the club actively supports the community by providing assistance to individuals and families in need. Whether through outreach programs, charitable support or mobilizing resources during difficult times, she ensures that the club stands for something greater than cars. It stands for care. What makes her especially deserving is her ability to inspire and empower other women to join this mission. She has cultivated a team of dedicated ladies who work together to push this initiative forward, proving that leadership is not about spotlight but about impact. She leads with vision, organizes with intention and serves with heart. Her work demonstrates that influence is most powerful when it uplifts others. She is not only building a brand. She is building hope, opportunity and community connection. This award would recognize not just her leadership, but the lives she continues to touch through service, unity and purposeful action.

- **DJ Lady Solo / Unknown Organization**
 - o Very Humble Person 😊 Well This Person Really Helps The Community

Visionary Leader Nominations:

- **Sharmain Cooper-Richardson / Lady Luxury Lanes 3L Car Club LLC (5 votes)**
 - Sharmain has done very well creating different projects and activities that includes the community. Sharmain is very thoughtful, well spoken and has great leadership especially for the black community. She shows that us as women can be leaders in our community and not to ever let anything keeps us from walking in what God has called for us to do. Her passion for better speaks volumes. She is a phenomenal woman and leader. Sharmain has done very well creating different projects and activities that includes the community. Sharmain is very thoughtful, well spoken and has great leadership especially for the black community. She shows that us as women can be leaders in our community and not to ever let anything keeps us from walking
 - Success driven, life coach and advocate supporter with community help and business networking. Sharmain Cooper organization lady luxury Lanes 3L car club has inspired and expanded to other individuals who are looking for different ways to stand up and step out in their community. With being the helping hands that her community needs.
 - Sharmain Cooper 1st year starting 3L Lady Luxury Lanes. She volunteers her time and energy with feeding the homeless or people in need. She has tirelessly given away clothes to those in need, who need to go to job interviews and don't have interview clothes or a family who lost a home because of a fire destroyed the home and she was able to find them clothes and food and other resources. Volunteers to help clean the parks so children can play in a safe playground. She has given interview clothes or a family who lost a home because of a fire destroyed the home and she was able to find them clothes and food and other resources. Volunteers to help clean the parks so children can play in a safe playground. She has found businesses to help sponsor her cause of helping others by getting donations from those businesses or organizations.
 - She helped me with the idea of a splash mob. Or a Cash mob. Where a group of people show up to support a business. Or a person. The effect of a group of people showing up to support others is great. Imagine if we all gave support like this.
 - Sharmain is determined to be the change that this community needs. She's involved with AMBUCKS, always helping the less fortunate- providing food and clothes, she encourages and uplifts women- providing a safe space to be themselves. Sharmain is progressive in her actions, not waiting for permission to lend a helping hand. She loves her community, you can witness this online, with her promoting small businesses and Black Owned Businesses, or in person when she's out being of service in our community. Less than a week ago, Sharmain was involved with a feeding ministry at Galilee Missionary Baptist Church. She's also one of the pioneers

of an event that will bring lots of people together to support a local business, Lawton's first ever Cash-Mob.

- **Larry Parks**

- Mr. Larry Parks exemplifies visionary leadership through strategic direction, innovation, and a steadfast commitment to enhancing quality of life in the City of Lawton. As Director of the Community Enrichment Department, he has consistently aligned parks, recreation, aquatics, and community programming with long-term growth, sustainability, and measurable community impact. Under his leadership, city facilities have evolved into safe, welcoming spaces that promote health, wellness, and social connection for residents of all ages. Mr. Parks approaches challenges with foresight and fiscal responsibility, ensuring that departmental initiatives support the City's broader mission while maximizing public investment. His emphasis on data-driven decision-making, operational efficiency, and continuous improvement reflects a leader who looks beyond immediate needs and plans for lasting success. Mr. Parks also prioritizes collaboration and partnership. He works closely with city leadership, community organizations, schools, and civic stakeholders to expand programming opportunities and strengthen community engagement. His ability to unite diverse groups around shared goals has resulted in innovative initiatives that benefit youth, families, and seniors alike. Equally important, Mr. Parks empowers his staff by fostering a culture of accountability, professionalism, and growth. He sets clear expectations while encouraging innovation and excellence in service delivery. Through his forward-thinking leadership and unwavering dedication to public service, Mr. Larry Parks continues to shape a stronger, more connected Lawton community. Larry Parks has played a pivotal role in advancing quality-of-life initiatives for the City of Lawton through his leadership as Director of Community Enrichment. A retired U.S. Army Command Sergeant Major, Parks brought nearly three decades of leadership experience to municipal service and helped guide the creation and launch of Lawton's Community Enrichment Department, strategically aligning Parks & Recreation and Community Services under one unified vision. His efforts have focused on strengthening community engagement, enhancing public spaces, and promoting safe, welcoming environments for residents of all ages. Under his direction, the department has supported park improvements and reopening projects, expanded recreation programming, increased public communication through media outreach, and emphasized safety enhancements across facilities. Parks has also been actively involved in community events and civic celebrations, reinforcing Lawton's commitment to honoring veterans and fostering civic pride. Through collaborative partnerships, operational improvements, and a strong emphasis on service, he has worked to position Lawton's parks, recreation centers, and aquatic facilities as central gathering spaces that encourage health, connection, and community enrichment. His leadership reflects a forward-thinking approach centered on unity, accountability, and measurable impact for the citizens of Lawton.

- **Alonna Collins / No XQCZ (2 votes)**

- Alonna Clark exemplifies visionary leadership through her unwavering commitment to service, innovation, and community empowerment. She leads with clarity, compassion, and a forward-thinking mindset that inspires both individuals and organizations to reach higher standards of excellence. Her ability to see potential where others see limitations reflects true visionary character. Alonna consistently demonstrates integrity, resilience, and strategic thinking. She does not simply respond to challenges. She anticipates them, develops thoughtful solutions, and mobilizes others toward meaningful progress. Her leadership style fosters collaboration, accountability, and growth, creating environments where people feel valued and empowered to contribute. What distinguishes Alonna is her capacity to turn vision into action. She transforms ideas into measurable impact while maintaining a people-centered approach. Whether guiding teams, supporting initiatives, or advocating for positive change, she leads with purpose and intention. Her influence extends beyond immediate results. She builds sustainable foundations that continue to benefit the community long after a project concludes. Through mentorship, advocacy, and consistent excellence, Alonna embodies the essence of a Visionary Leader. For these reasons, she is highly deserving of this recognition. Alonna Clark has demonstrated measurable impact through her leadership in community engagement, strategic program development, and mentorship. She has successfully organized initiatives that brought diverse groups together to collaborate toward shared goals, increasing participation and strengthening partnerships. Her leadership has improved operational effectiveness within the organizations she supports. By implementing clear systems, setting strategic goals, and fostering accountability, she has enhanced productivity and morale. Team members consistently cite her guidance as instrumental in their professional growth. Alonna has also served as a mentor to emerging leaders, offering practical guidance, encouragement, and structured development opportunities. Several individuals she has supported have advanced into leadership roles, demonstrating the ripple effect of her influence. In addition, she has been proactive in identifying community needs and launching responsive solutions that create lasting impact. Her initiatives have expanded access to resources, improved communication between stakeholders, and strengthened community trust. Through strategic vision, collaborative leadership, and measurable outcomes, Alonna Clark continues to create meaningful and sustainable impact.
- Alana is a visionary. She has a purpose and a purpose is to look out for her fellow Veterans. Her accomplishments not only include setting up homeless feeding shelters and homeless feedings for people outside in city here in Lawton Oklahoma. She also takes time and goes out to the Veterans center to have bingo and talent shows for veterans in the facility. NoxqcZ inc. is a beacon of light for Veterans like me that need people like her that really care and understand what we is Veterans need. She relays information as it comes down to people and make sure that we are in the note. That's why I believe she should be nominated..

Rosemary Bellino Lifetime Achievement Award Nominations:

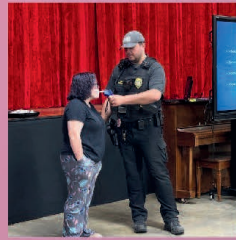
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Matt Brown / Fort Sill Golf Club



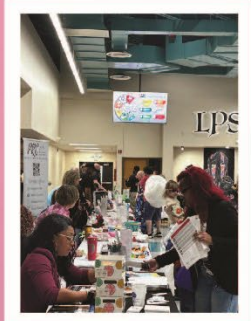
Comanche County Community Coalition

2025 CAST Op Prom Assemblies, Media Interviews, and Community Events



2025 Parent Support Committee

Media Interviews
and Resource Fairs



Join us for our inaugural

COMANCHE COUNTY YOUTH SUMMIT

September 23, 2026

FISTA INNOVATION PARK
8:30 AM - 2:15 PM

The Comanche County Youth Summit is a one day behavioral health conference open to Comanche County 6th grade students whose mission is to empower youth to reach new heights



For more information, email Erica Johnson at ejohnson@wmpn.org

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Red Ribbon Week 2025



Item Title:

Select award recipients for the Yard of the Year and Best Commercial Business of the Year Awards for the upcoming Eye Candy Awards Gala.

Initiator: Neal Kirmer, Multimedia Specialist

Information Source: Neal Kirmer, Multimedia Specialist , Caitlin Gatlin, Communication & Marketing Manager

Background:

The Eye Candy Awards Gala recognizes outstanding individuals, organizations, and businesses in our community who demonstrate pride in their property, commitment to beautification, and dedication to enhancing the visual appeal of Lawton. This year’s Gala will be held on April 10th at the Lawton Farmer’s Market.

The awards for Yard of the Year and Commercial Business of the Year are defined as follows:

Yard of the Year: Selected from the pool of Yard of the Month winners throughout this past year, this award recognizes a residential property that exemplifies outstanding landscaping, curb appeal, and creativity. It honors homeowners who maintain beautiful, well-kept yards that enhance the aesthetic of their neighborhood and inspire pride in the community.

Commercial Business of the Year: Recognizes a commercial property or business that demonstrates exceptional landscaping, signage, and overall exterior appearance. This award celebrates businesses that contribute to a vibrant, attractive cityscape and positively impact the community’s image.

Correlation to the True North Statement:

This item reflects our commitment to the citizen—celebrating residents and businesses whose dedication to beautification enhances the quality of life and pride for all who live, work, and visit in Lawton.

Exhibit:

LETA Yard of the Month Winners April 2025 – September 2025

Key Issues:

N/A

Funding Source:

LETA

Recommended Action:

Identify and vote on award recipients for the Yard of the Year and Commercial Business of the Year Awards to honor their contributions at the upcoming gala.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. April 2025 YOM Winner
2. May 2025 YOM Winner
3. June 2025 YOM Winner
4. July 2025 YOM Winner
5. August 2025 YOM Winner
6. September 2025 YOM Winner







Ward 3







Ward 2



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Item Title:

Select the recipient of donations raised through the silent auction of flower arrangements at the upcoming Eye Candy Awards Gala.

Initiator: Caitlin Gatlin, Communication & Marketing Manager

Information Source: Caitlin Gatlin, Communication & Marketing Manager

Background:

As part of the Eye Candy Awards Gala, flower arrangements created for the event will be offered in a silent auction, with proceeds designated for a local organization or charitable cause. The auction provides an opportunity for attendees to contribute to the community while taking home a special floral arrangement.

The Authority is asked to consider recipients or causes that would benefit from this donation, ensuring the funds raised align with community priorities and make a meaningful impact.

Correlation to the True North Statement:

This item reflects our commitment to transparency and trust, and to the citizen—ensuring all contributions from gala activities are directed responsibly to causes that enhance the quality of life for those we serve.

Exhibit:

None

Key Issues:

N/A

Funding Source:

N/A

Recommended Action:

Select the organization or cause that will receive the donations from the silent auction of flower arrangements.

ATTACHMENTS:

None

Item Title:

Receive an update regarding the upcoming Trash Off event and consider voting on the proposed t-shirt design for the event.

Initiator: Kelvin Ingram, Deputy Director- Parks and Recreation

Information Source: Jonathan Jernigan, Neighborhood Services - Supervisor, Charlotte Brown, Deputy Director, Antonio Hopson, Deputy Director- Safe and Clean Neighborhood Services

Background:

The Authority will receive an update regarding the upcoming Trash Off event. As part of the event planning efforts, a proposed t-shirt design has been developed for participants. The Authority may consider voting on the proposed design so that shirts can be finalized and ordered in advance of the event.

Correlation to the True North Statement:

This item supports the City’s True North Culture Statement by promoting a safe community, encouraging pride in a community of choice where families thrive, and fostering engagement from citizens who actively participate in keeping Lawton clean and welcoming.

Exhibit:

Proposed Trash Off T-Shirt Design

Key Issues:

N/A

Funding Source:

LETA

Recommended Action:

Approve the proposed t-shirt design for the Trash Off event.

ATTACHMENTS:

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