

Wellington Recreation Commission
Board Meeting Agenda
Tuesday, March 24th, 2026
7:00 a.m.
Harry L. Woods Recreation Center

1.0 Call To Order

2.0 Roll Call

3.0 Minutes - February

4.0 Checks/Expenditures - February

5.0 Board Member Report

6.0 Items of Business

- 6.1 Activity Center Updates
- 6.2 Wellington Community Challenge
- 6.3 Special Events
- 6.4 Seasonal Employees
- 6.5 2025-2026 Fiscal Year Audit Engagement Letter
- 6.6 City Council Work Session 3/25
- 6.7 Sports Pictures
- 6.8 Program Sponosors

7.0 Program Review

- 7.1 Sports / Youth Recreation
 - 7.1.1 Connor
- 7.2 Aquatics / Outdoor Maintenance
 - 7.2.1 Cody

8.0 Adjournment

Next scheduled board meeting Tuesday, April 28th, 2026

February 2026 WRC Board Meeting Notes

February 24th, 2026



Call to Order / Roll Call – The meeting was called to order by WRC President, Hankie Holefelder, at 7:03 am with the following members and staff present: John Brand, Tami McCue, Erma Ratliff, Betty Zeka, Connor Pilant and Cody White.

Minutes / Income and Expenditures – Betty moved to approve minutes and expenditures as presented, seconded by Tami, all said aye.

Items of Business – The activity center sustained two broken water pipes during the overnight/early morning hours on Wednesday January 28th. The city water department was notified by a patron, so water was shut off to the facility. Upon inspection it was found that a vent pipe extending through the roof had shifted which caused the cold air to hit directly on the pipes below. Insurance was called and Stover's Restoration was contacted to start the drying out process. In the meantime, prices for new flooring for the gym, new lights for the gym and an estimate for other repairs are being sought.

The 2026 Wellington Community Challenge began on February 21st. There are six teams participating this year and are made up from the following businesses: Air Plains Services, Cowley College, Panhandle Federal Credit Union, Security State Bank, Wellington High School and Wellington United Methodist Church.

The middle school sweetheart dance took place on February 21st with 111 kids in attendance. A youth day camp is scheduled for Friday, March 6th. School is not in session that day, so a full day of activities are being planned.

An equipment proposal was presented from Mid-States Fitness out of Wichita. The proposal is to replace the three remaining spin bikes in Studio C. All bikes have recently been replaced except for these last three at the request of the class attendees who use them. No decision to purchase these bikes was made and could happen sometime in the near future.

The spring/summer job application process is open. Applications for employment are due on Friday, March 27th.

A sale comparison from 2025 to 2026 for the January fitness membership promotion was presented. A total of 91 memberships were sold for the 2025 promotion period, and 93 total memberships were sold for the 2026 promotion period.

Hollie Gulick arrived at 7:23am to present the audit report for the 2024-2025 fiscal year. It was recommended to converse with legal counsel to create a lease agreement between the Wellington Recreation Foundation (the official owner of the WRC Activity Center) and the WRC itself. Erma moved to accept the audit report as presented, seconded by Betty, all said aye.

A recap of the Super Bowl squares contest, held by the Wellington Recreation Foundation, was given. Squares were sold at \$20 per square. All squares were purchased. \$1,000 was paid out to winners and \$1,000 was raised for the foundation.

Program budget sheets were passed around for the board members to look at. One area that has seen an increase in participation has been adult specialty/art classes. All other programs have been comparable to previous years programs.

Program Review – Connor – A recap of the basketball season and little hoopers camp was given. Overall basketball saw a successful season. On the budget sheets that were passed around it was noted that overall revenue was down compared to last year. This was large in part due to the number of kids playing outside of Wellington. It is anticipated that we will see some of those kids playing in Wellington next year, especially the

younger kids that left. The issues that came up during the season were majority with referees. The lack of effort forced some changes to be made to the schedule. Those changes were made for the better and Connor received positive feedback on these changes. Tanner Meyer did a great job of instructing the little hoopers program. Connor instructed one week by himself but was on hand during the other weeks to provide help.

Cody – An update to the continued construction at the pool was given. The remaining work that is to be completed is all in the pumphouse and splash pad. The filters, chlorination system and piping are what's left to be replaced. Railing around the pumphouse, the splash pad came in but was incorrect and will be replaced with that was spec'd out to be installed. It is anticipated that all the remaining work will be completed by the end of March/first of April range. Cody met with Jami Dodds to discuss moving the management of the pool in a different direction. Hannah Shuck and Kaitlin Francisco will be the new managers in charge for the 2026 season.

At 8:04 am Tami moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Erma, all said aye. Respectfully submitted by Cody White