

Dixon Park, Playground, and Recreation Board  
July 15, 2025

Dixon Park, Playground, and Recreation Board met in session July 15, 2025. Attending were Chairman Jeff Graham, Board members Eddie Branson, Gina Hisch, and Matthew Cutteridge, Mayor Terry Webb, Commissioner Robert Brown, and City Clerk Barb Goff.

Minutes from the previous meeting were approved on a motion by Gina, seconded by Eddie, all ayes.

Gina and Vanessa have been in contact with friends who play disc golf and are familiar with how the set up should be done. These friends have volunteered to assist the Board with updating the course. One goal is missing and once that is found or replaced, flags will be installed to number each "hole."

Deteriorating park benches along the walking trail were discussed. Some of the wood on some benches has become rotten and has created a safety hazard with exposed screws. The screws have been removed, but the wood needs to be replaced. Jeff and Eddie will donate wood and replace where needed.

The Board maintains a storage building at Baker Park that holds items used for events. A new lock has been installed, and keys are held by the Board Chair (Jeff) and at the City office.

Jeff will be added as an administrator to the Board's Facebook page. The social media will be used to advertise Board events.

The Board planned to host an Ice Cream Social on August 10 beginning at 2pm, and will use the event to encourage citizens to utilize the park and educate taking care of the park. Jeff has secured the use of a 5 gallon ice cream freezer to make the ice cream, which will be served free of charge.

Matthew made a motion to host the burgoo fundraiser on October 25, seconded by Eddie, all ayes. Eddie has obtained the use of the kitchen at Lakeview Baptist Church, and Jeff and Robert will inquire about borrowing kettles.

Planning continued for the Veterans Day Celebration to be held November 15.

Jeff will research to see if a gaming exemption permit is necessary in order to host a silent auction or cake walk.

Barb will provide a list of food trucks. Food Truck, formerly Hannah's Place, has participated in the event before and has requested to join again. Barb will schedule that food truck for the event. The Board may accept requests from other vendors also.

Matthew presented a proposed design for the t-shirts to be sold as a fundraising opportunity for the event. He will check with the designer about shirt color recommendations. It was briefly mentioned to list event sponsors on the back of the shirts, if a list is available early enough.

Jeff reviewed State requirements from the Department of Transportation regarding hanging a banner advertising the event over Hwy 41A. Jeff will reach out to get a quote and design proof for a 2-sided banner.

Gina will continue to reach out to potential sponsors and volunteers for the pet show, food trucks, and silent auction donations.

Ideas previously mentioned for the event but not addressed in the current meeting include live musical

entertainment and inflatables.

Due to knowing she would be unable to attend, Board member Kellie Neal provided an update prior to the meeting. She has secured donations from Party Barn and Hidden Hills Event Venue for the silent auction, and at least one cake for the cake walk. She suggested other members begin seeking donations as well. Kellie would like to donate patriotic rubber ducks to be placed around the community prior to the event, and persons turning those in at the event would receive a small prize. Mandy Fambrough has agreed to attend a meeting and offer her advice from experience of helping with the event for the past couple years.

The Board intends to host a cruise-in sometime in the spring, but will delay planning until the Veterans Day event is completed.

A work day to install the fencing extension at the soccer field was scheduled for 5pm on August 1. The quote from Providence Home Center came in just under the approved amount for the project, at \$1176. A regular Board meeting was scheduled for August 12 at 5:30pm at City Hall.

A motion to adjourn was made by Eddie, seconded by Matthew, all ayes.

  
Jeff Graham, Chairman

  
Barb Goff, City Clerk