

Dexter Parks and Recreation Park Board
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The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Dexter Parks and Recreation Park Board will be held at 12 NOON, Wednesday April 30, 2025 at Dexter Parks and Recreation Office Meeting Room at 500 Fairground Drive, Dexter.
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Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Minutes
3. **Public Comment** (At this time someone who is pre-registered with the park office prior to the beginning of the Board meeting to present a position on a specific agenda item or is pre-registered with the park director in writing at least 5 business days prior to the beginning of the Board meeting to present a general comment about a non-agenda item will be given time for presentation to the Park Board. Each speaker is limited to 5 minutes. A maximum of 15 minutes is allowed for this public comment section. Please, just one spokesperson per group; individuals may speak only once per meeting; time regulated by Board President. Note: Individuals wishing to convey a complaint about procedures, regulations/policy, or personnel will not be scheduled to address the Board until all avenues with the park office has been exhausted; Complaints directed at specific personnel will not be heard in open session.)
4. **Committee Reports –**
 - a) playground
 - b) dog park committee
 - c) trail
 - d) tree
5. **Recreation:**
 - baseball-tournament discussion
 - basketball-
 - football-
 - softball-
 - soccer-
 - track-
 - volleyball (youth, women's)-
6. **Aquatic:**
 - a) programming/staff-
 - b) repair/maintenance-
7. **Department Report-**
 - a) Budget review
 - b) DPR Gym task force committee report
8. **Membership Participation**
9. **Any other business that might appear**
10. **Adjourn**

**Agenda is TENTATIVE as of 3/6/2025 and subject to change prior to the meeting.*

DEXTER PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD

Meeting Minutes— March 5, 2025

Members Present: Chris Warren, Adam Sadler, Ron Lovelady, Marissa Mills, Hannah LeBeau**Park Staff Present:** Jamie Rowe**Meeting called to order:** 12:01 pm**Minutes:** Minutes from the January meeting. No additions or corrections to the minutes**Motion:** was made by Chris Warren to accept the minutes as reviewed.**Second:** by Adam Sadler to approve minutes.**Motion Carried:** All in favor.**Citizens Input:** none**Housekeeping:** none**Committee Reports:**

A-Playground committee – The committee is planning to host a trivia night made \$912. The committee will be partnering with the Chamber for the Amazing Race fundraiser. The committee voted to purchase 2-teather ball one for East Park and one for Boon Park along with a 6-seat teeter-totter for Boon Park with funds that have been raised in 2024. These items have been delivered but have not been installed.

B-Trail Committee – The current trail project is moving forward in phase 3, sections have been poured by the school, and they are working in Boon Park and along the ditch as well. Trail project 006 update plans are being put together for review and hopefully we will be able to start the right-of-way phase soon. Trail project 007 update working with Walmart on plans for the extension of the culvert and entrance on the southeast side and working on plans.

C-Dog Park Committee – 2025 plans for the dog park include closing the park to work on the grounds and seed grass also to install some solar lights and poles at the park.

D-Tree Board –no report

Aquatic & Recreation Report:***Recreation –**

BASEBALL: A discussion was tabled in the November meeting on what other towns are doing to increase tournaments at their facilities.

BASKETBALL: no report

FOOTBALL: Myles is working on a date to have a league meeting for tackle football. Flag football registration is open and we will be running the league through “NFL Flag” The deadline is Thursday, March 6th

SOFTBALL: (same as baseball)

TRACK: The deadline to register is Thursday, March 6th

FALL SOCCER: no report

VOLLEYBALL (YOUTH/WVB/COED): no report

AQUATIC:

- Working on securing managers, and seasonal workers
- Working to set up dates for the lifeguard class

PARK EVENTS:

BLOOD DRIVE—JUNE 19, 2025

GRILLE IT UP—JULY 12, 2025

BACK TO SCHOOL POOL PARTY—JULY 31, 2025

HALLOWEEN HAPPENING-OCTOBER 31, 2025

LIGHT IT UP-MONTH OF DECEMBER

DEPARTMENT REPORT:

- The department grant update:
 - 3 Ameren Cares grants—received the one for the recycle trailer through Friends of the Park this grant is completed.
 - 2 DNR grants—both awarded trail work at Eden Park and PIP at West Park playground
 - AG—The office building and cooler have been delivered and the fence has been installed.
 - MDC- kayak dock at the fish pond—the dock has been ordered
- Discussion of Project List items included and are not in any order full-time maintenance person, building to store equipment by our shop area, replacement of the 1997 backhoe, the addition of a 1 ton with dump bed, new pickup truck, light boon trail, dpr gym addition, the addition of shelter (#3) at west park, temporary fencing for ballfields and line/outfield fencing at the complex, turf installation on 2 fields at the complex. Review the pool repair list.
- The Community Garden program, Kris Chamberlain has been working on newsletters, and the upcoming season.
- Storm damage update, bids for Sugar Plum Park are out and will close on January 13th. Working with FEMA on this project.
- The department has been working on programs, and outfitting fields, working at the community garden
- Work will begin at Eden Park, clearing and removing the pond levee, shaping the area to get ready for the DNR grant of installing material for 1700 feet of 5-foot wide trail
- Fence posts have been installed at West Park for the pickleball court.

DPR Gym Task Force:

- Design Alliance architects have completed a plan for the gym expansion project.
- The next big step will be developing a plan for securing payment.

New Business:

- none

Membership Participation:

Marissa brought up the possibility of having a golf cart to be able to shuttle people at the complex and soccer field from the parking area to the playing field area. The suggestion of having a 6-seat cart was discussed. She mentioned that Poplar Bluff has a shuttle that is used during games. Ron mentioned that for some of the cross-country meets he has attended they have had golf cart shuttles available. Chris might have a connection for a cart and will check to see and contact the department with the information. He also mentioned getting sponsors to purchase the cart once a price has been established. Discussion about having possible board members or a volunteer drive the shuttle during game nights and if that was even possible with the insurance, the department is going to check into the policy for the city.

Marissa brought up the funding possibilities for the new gym project. The department is going to look into whether a bond, tax levee, or loan is even possible as a funding avenue for moving the project forward. The mention of the Jonesboro Sportsplex was discussed Adam is going to call a couple of connections he has about getting some information to the department from Jonesboro.

Hannah brought up the possibility of looking at the gym rentals and looking at a discount for teams that rent the gym for an extended amount of time.

Other: None

Motion made by Chris Warren to adjourn the meeting.

Second by Ron Lovelady to adjourn the meeting.

Motion Carried All in favor.

Adjourn: 1:38pm

Next meeting scheduled for April 30, 2025