



Oconee County Parks & Recreation

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Recreation Advisory Committee – Called Meeting Meeting Minutes – May 19, 2026

Members Present: Richard Ashmore, Joe Avolio, Jason Hewell, Leslie Hunsinger, Dan Moore, Travis Stephens, Robin Stevens

Members Absent: Giles Moree, Wesley Scott

Staff: Lisa Davol

Guest: None

Press: None

Minutes:

1. Call to Order – The Recreation Committee convened the regular meeting at Oconee Veterans Park. Leslie Hunsinger called the meeting to order.
2. Approve the agenda. Richard Ashmore made a motion to approve the agenda. Robin Stevens seconded the motion to approve the agenda. Motion approved unanimously.
3. Approve November March 17 Meeting Minutes. Richard Ashmore made a motion to approve November 18 minutes, and Jason Hewell seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.
4. HCM and OVP Park Tour – Completed/Ongoing Projects. Davol led a walking tour of both Herman C. Michael Park and Oconee Veterans Park and discussed completed and ongoing projects, including:

HCM

- Park Sign
- HCM Safety Concepts - Elder Rd/HWY 53 Hog Mtn
- Outdoor BB Court
- Brown Building/Pavilion Fascia Repairs
- Plaza
- Walking crack fill
- Gym painting and warped boards replacements
- Retaining wall – gym
- Gym HVAC Unit 1 and Unit 2 and Lobby
- Locks & Keys (BSC)



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OVP

- Park Signs
- Tree installations – 17
- SARS – Liberty Tree (Jefferson Tree – installed T, 5/19)
- Walking path crack fill
- Pump Station House
- Protective Netting – F1-4, F5-7
- Pond #A
- Gym and ceiling/painting (fitness cross matrix)
- Grassland Restoration Area - Meadow
- Quad concession – starting R, 5/21 Gym floor
- Laserturf Projects – Athletic Fields
- Building envelope – Garland - \$550,000
- Tennis Expansion Project Bid – Notice to Proceed – Headley Construction – Kick off meeting W, 5/20

5. Park Updates – Davol shared the following park updates:

Dawson Park – Decommissioning

- Land Disturbance Permit submitted (week of 5/4)
- The project will also require Corp of Engineers and state erosion control permitting, which will be sought concurrently.
- The goal is still to have the initial grading and site infrastructure go to bid late Q1 (summer)/early Q2 (fall).

Heritage Park

- Park Improvements (equestrian, infrastructure/parking/restroom)
- 110-acre acquisition (DNR grant \$3M)
- Central School House rehabilitation plans

6. Other Business, if needed. None.

7. Public comments. None.

8. Adjourn. Motion to adjourn made by Richard Ashmore. Seconded by Robin Stevens. Motion approved unanimously.

Next RAC Meeting scheduled for July 21, 2026, at 5 pm at Oconee Veterans Park – Community Center

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