



TOWN OF MOUNT GILEAD PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE AGENDA

110 West Allenton Street, Mount Gilead, North Carolina,
27306

August 21, 2025

The Mount Gilead Parks and Recreation Committee will meet Thursday, August 21, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. at Mount Gilead Library, 119 West Allenton Street, Mount Gilead, North Carolina. Present were Jennifer Haywood, Tara Clark, Taryn Gross, Bianca Haithcock, Melanie St. Germain, Manager Barrett Brown and Allena Ingram. Absent: Rick Moore

CALL TO ORDER

(Jennifer Haywood)

Jennifer Haywood called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

ITEM I. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

(Action)

- Taryn Gross made a motion to adopt the agenda with a second from Melanie St. Germain. The motion carries unanimously.

ITEM II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A. June 26, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Taryn Gross made a motion to approve the June 26, 2025, Meeting Minutes with a second from Bianca Haithcock. Motion carried unanimously.

B. July 24, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Melanie St. Germain made a motion to approve the July 24, 2025, Meeting Minutes with a second from Tara Clark. Motion carried unanimously.

ITEM III. OLD BUSINESS

No Old Business

ITEM IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Fall Festival Updates

(Discussion)

- Jack Jordan is donating the trailer for the bands.

- Jennifer H. reached out to the bands and one of them reply that it's in their contract that sound equipment was not provided and if we wanted them to provide the sound equipment it would cost us another thousand dollars for them.
- Have a sound guy come in and they will be used to play music for the gymnastics and when the bands are not playing.
- Jennifer contacted one sound guy and he was unavailable. She's waiting on a call back from another sound guy to see what he will charge.
- Jennifer's going to call the Tams and ask them would they cut us a discount for them to not bring their own sound equipment. If that's the route the members would like to go.
- Allena has sent out sponsorships letters and reached out to the vendors from last year and a Facebook post has been made for vendors to sign up.
- Jennifer asked how many vendors has signed up. Allena would have to count them.
- For the giveaway bags. Jennifer is in the process with two different people on getting a quote on what it's going to cost to print the town logo on the bags that we already have from last year. That way is she doesn't use them all we can put them up for next year.
- Jennifer has quotes for rubber bracelets, cups and pens with the Town's logo on them. Looking at 250 of each to giveaway totaling right up at \$400.
- Melanie G. asked with the town having a social district how that impacts the social district.
- Manager Barrett Brown asked so in the social district they'd be able to carry an open containers?
- Taryn G. replied with no, it has to be in a special container marked, dated, and sign or stamp, but they would still be able to carry it. Every place should've the same cups.
- Jennifer's waiting on quotes for the banners.
- The banner will go all the way across Main Street, but this one will be reusable. The banner will have pockets in it where we just change out the date.
- We can get banners to put out in different locations such as Albemarle, Biscoe, and Troy instead of buying a new one every year.
- Looking at about 10 banners to put in these locations.
- Jennifer asked Melanie to have them send her a quote for the banner for advertisement.
- Manger Barrett Brown made two flyers and the members agreed on the 2nd Flyer to use.
- Jennifer's going to call Riley Beaman and see if he can advertise the Fall Festival on his radio station. Along with the radio station in town.
- Stanly County Gymnastics wants to know a time of what time they would be performing.
- Manager suggested that we don't post times, but announce periodically what or who's coming up next.

- Taryn G. mentioned that the Mayor and The Pastor at the Methodist Church are interested in playing and singing.
- Manager Barrett Brown suggested we rotate who prays each year.
- All food trucks will be near Luna's Restaurant
- Kids' corner, Vendors spots and the Mechanical Bull will remain the same as last year.
- Car show will be at the other end of the vendors.
- Decided to eliminate the guy on stilts this year
- Mechanical bull and Rock Therapy in Locust will be at Fall Festival this year.
- Porta Johns are being donated by Pride Plumbing; Golf Carts for the Police Department are being donated by PD Carts.
- Bianca Haithcock will be the photography this year.
- Mums and Hay bells will be at one centralized location and have that be the photo booth
- Manager asked how many mums are we getting? 150 mums
- Manager suggested we get the mums and donate a portion of them to the assistant living.
- The school that Jennifer works at has planted mums and they're doing a mum's sale for \$6 dollar a piece.
- Jennifer is working on the Hayride
- Manager mention a pie eating contest
- Jennifer mentioned to have someone from Uwharrie Center to come down, have a table set up and a video playing showcasing the uwharries. Bigfoot can walk around
- Merchants gets a spot for free, but if they want another spot the have to pay for it.
- Jennifer asked the members if they were still good with those rules applying to them. The members agreed
- Touch-a-Truck; having the police, ambulance, construction trucks for the kids to come and check them out.
- Next year let the kids make the design for the shirt and we vote on them.
- Make a QR code to link to Fall Festival application that every vendor have one before they leave the premises. So they can sign up for next year.
- Manager asked where are the vendors that's setting up parking?
- Jennifer and Wahoo have talked about the vendors parking behind Truist Bank.
- Manager suggested to have the elementary school select some art work to go inside the windows at Town Hall.
- Jennifer Haywood will be running the Fall Softball League.

ITEM V. COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS
No Member Reports

(Discussion)

ITEM VI. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business Taryn Gross made a motion to adjourn the meeting with a second from Tara Clark. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Jennifer Haywood, President

Allena Ingram, Secretary