

Council looks at proposal for park

Walkertown tries for state grant for spot near town hall

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The town council looked at plans last Thursday to build a park off Main Street near the town hall, between Sullivanton Road and Depot Street.

The proposed park would include a ¼-mile walking track, an amphitheater, a picnic shelter and swings.

The town has applied for a state grant to build the park.

Officials said that the park would be a wonderful place to hold town events such as the hot-dog picnic planned for July 4.

The park would also be beneficial to the students at the new high school that will be built nearby, Town Clerk Lynn McKinnie said.

The new park will offer an alternate to some already in the area.

"It's going to be a good place for seniors and children to come to and enjoy," she said.

"It will be a place to relax and get away from the hustle and bustle and commune with nature."

Mayor Doc Davis said that the park will be something that people of all ages can enjoy.

"There will be a variety of equipment for all ages," he said. "The park will be something that is convenient to the town, and I think it's going to be a big plus for citizens."

Contractors associated with the park project said that when the state money is available, they expect that construction on the park could be finished within six months.

Officials said that copies of the park plans will be available at the council's meeting 7 p.m. June 26 at the Walkertown Public Library and on the town's Web site.

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■ Plans for the park will be available on the town's Web site at <http://www.townofwalkertown.com>.