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DINWIDDIE COUNTY ANNOUNCES GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY

~Dinwiddie Sports Complex Groundbreaking Scheduled for March 23, 5:00 pm~

DINWIDDIE - Dinwiddie Parks and Recreation Director, Brian Mancini, announced today that the Recreation Department will perform groundbreaking ceremonies, for the Dinwiddie Sports Complex, on Friday, March 23, 2007 at the site of the complex. The ceremony will begin at 5:00 pm.

In the FY06/07 budget, the Dinwiddie County Board of Supervisors appropriated \$370,000 for the project. The complex, located off of route 460 beside the newly constructed elementary school, has been a goal of the Board of Supervisors since co-purchasing the site with the School system.

The planning and fundraising efforts were expedited in the summer of 2006 when a small group of parents and coaches came to a Board Meeting and expressed their appreciation and desire to assist in raising funds for the park. A fundraising committee was quickly formed and they are currently very actively trying to raise more funds to go toward the completion of the first phase of this project. The first phase consists of a four field baseball/softball complex, parking area and concessions stand. The second phase will include a football field, several soccer fields, walking trails, and many other park amenities such as tennis and basketball courts.

“I think we’ve reached a new era in Dinwiddie County recreation, and it’s an exciting time to be here,” stated Mancini. “The board members have made a major commitment to the Recreation Department, and we’ll be working hard to see the complex completed in a timely manner. I think that Dinwiddie citizens will notice a major boost in quality of life, not only from the sports complex, but from a variety of different projects soon to be provided by the Parks and Recreation Department. The support given to us recently is going to allow us to accomplish things such as the sports complex which will raise the bar for recreation in the county.”

Questions or comments about the facility or the ceremony can be directed to Brian Mancini at the Eastside Community Enhancement Center (804-732-1100) or to County

Administrator Kevin Massengill (804-469-4500) between the hours of 8:30 am and 5:00 pm Monday through Friday.