



**Bentonville Parks and Recreation
Advisory Board Meeting
Monday, January 22, 2018 – 5pm
Parks Maintenance Facility – 401 NE Moberly**

Agenda

Old Business

1. Approval of Minutes from December Meeting

New Business

1. Introduction of new PRAB Members – Cortney Carlson
2. Public Art Approval – Tunnel Vision
3. Bella Vista Lake – Master Plan Update
4. Meeting Dates – Proposal to move meeting to first Monday of month beginning in 2019
5. Tour Parks Maintenance Facility

Other Business

Attachments:

December 2017 PRAB Minutes

Capital Improvement Worksheet – January 2018

Public Art Proposals – Tunnel Vision Project



Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: Monday, December 18, 2017
Meeting Called to Order: 5:01 p.m.
Meeting Adjourned: 6:04 p.m.
Meeting Location: Downtown Activities Center
Attendees: Jon Terlouw, Chris Sooter, Whitney Sutherland, Holly Hook,
Amy Davis, Tom Butrynski, Mike Power, Crant Osborne,
David Wright, Lee Farmer, Shara Fisher, Tracy Acosta

Old Business

Approval of November 20, 2017 Minutes

Motion to Approve by: Mike Power
Seconded the Motion: Holly Hook

New Business

2018 Recreation Fee Approvals

Lee Farmer presented information on programs and fee increases. The programs include Soccer, Lego and our Bentonville Half Marathon with \$10 price increases. David Wright stated it is a City Ordinance to have all fees approved through City Council annually. Whitney Sutherland asked if our fees were comparable to other cities. Lee shared that we conduct research on all of our fees and they are comparable. He also confirmed we do not charge fees based on participation. David shared we offer scholarships for children that can't afford these fees. The board approved these fees.

Motion to Approve by: Whitney Sutherland
Seconded the Motion: Amy Davis

2017 Parks and Recreation Presentation

This annual presentation was given by Lee Farmer and Crant Osborne.

- One Millionth Customer at the Bentonville Community Center
- Complex of the Year – Awarded to Memorial Park Ball Park
- Master Plan Adopted
- MFAC Renovations
- Fitness Station on North Trail
- Restroom addition on trail
- Tennis Courts at Memorial Park Resurfaced
- Tunnel and Public Art
- Trail of 2 Cities Ribbon Cutting
- Fitness Trail at the Bentonville Community Center
- Razorback Greenway Reroute
- Trail Signage
- Lighting of the Square for Christmas
- Facility Dude Software Implementation
- Volunteers for 2017
- External Funding

Other information shared during this presentation: No other park improvements in 2018 except Melvin Ford. The State Swim Championship has requested our facility for 2018. The slide at Melvin Ford will not be replaced at this time. We are working with the City's IT Department regarding cameras in various locations on the trails. External businesses such as Visit Bentonville, Walton Family Foundation as well as Bentonville Parks Conservancy contribute to the funding of our projects.

Other Business

Bentonville Parks Conservancy – Jon Terlouw

Jon shared information about the conservancy. It was established on March 10th and it works hand in hand with the Parks Department. David Wright is a member of this nine member board. It is a volunteer work force that had its kick off day on October 13, 2017. The second work day was on December 2, 2017. On these two work days the volunteers mulched, pruned and watered trees which saved the parks department approximately 200 man hours with their volunteer work. The next work day will be in February 2018. The conservancy receives their funding currently through the Walton Family Foundation. They are reaching out to other businesses for funding as well.

Public Meeting for Bella Vista Lake

David informed the board, there would be a public meeting for Bella Vista Lake on January 11, 2017 at the Bentonville Community Center. Workshops will be held during the day with the public meeting to be held in the evening. This meeting is to get options for recreation use of the 170 acres.