



**Bentonville Parks and Recreation  
Advisory Board Meeting  
Monday, February 27, 2017 – 5pm  
Downtown Activity Center – 215 SW A Street**

**Agenda**

**Old Business**

1. Approval of Minutes from January Meeting

**New Business**

1. Train Station Park – Public Art Installation Approval
2. Lake Bentonville Improvements
3. Parks and Recreation Ordinance Review
4. Citizens Park Playground Concept Drawings Presentation

**Other Business**

*Attachments:*

*January 2016 PRAB Minutes  
Capital Improvement Worksheet – February 2017  
PAAC Application – BPL Story Walk  
Current Parks and Recreation Ordinances  
Suggested Parks and Recreation Ordinances revisions*

# APPROVED

## Bentonville Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting February 27, 2017

The Bentonville Parks and Recreation Advisory Board met January 23, 2017 at the Downtown Activity Center.

Present were members Holly Hook, Michelle Malashock, Courtney Schaffer, Craig Gilbert, Mike Power, Jon Terlouw, Shara Fisher, Amy Davis and Tom Butrynski. David Wright, Lee Farmer, Angel Stuler and Crant Osborne were present for the staff. Guests included Jeremy Brown and Fred Bonci of LaQuatra Bonci Associates, Inc.

### Meeting began at 5:02PM

#### Old Business

1. Approval of Minutes from December meeting
  - Motion to approve by Butrynski
  - Hook seconded the motion
  - Approved 8-0

#### New Business

1. Introduction of new Members – Michelle Malashock and Craig Gilbert
  - Wright recognized both Malashock and Gilbert as the new 2017 PRAB members. Both Malashock and Gilbert gave a brief introduction of themselves.
2. Election of Officers
  - Both Fisher and Power nominated Terlow for PRAB Chairman. PRAB approved Terlow for Chairman 9-0.
3. 30% Progress Presentation of Master Plan
  - Jeremy Brown and Fred Bonci of LaQuatra Bonci Associates gave a presentation of their work so far for the new Bentonville Parks and Recreation 10 Year Master Plan. They're about 30% into the plan. Bonci and Brown told PRAB after visiting with multiple groups and gathering public input, the 3 most important items from the public included:
    1. Trails Connectivity
    2. Public Amenities – West of Walton
    3. Neighborhood ParksBrown and Bonci included a presentation with their design and ideas thus far. Seamless connectivity (trails and parks) is an important factor in the design. Other items included in the design are: conservation (natural topography), mapped watersheds (building on natural systems), loop trail (continuous trail connectivity – including through existing parks and other proposed areas), possible

destinations for parks, branding, specific recommendations for public parks/green spaces in new developments, all inclusive center (tweaking site plan area of current recreation center), indoor sports complex, and neighborhood parks. Hook asked about the progression over the next 10 years. Bochi said Parks and Recreation will prioritize, but will need to be opportunistic.

**Other Business**

- Wright updated PRAB on the current projects. Wright said the Melvin Ford Aquatic Center updates are currently under construction and the contract states they will be done by April 1<sup>st</sup>. Wright told PRAB the 2016-2017 ice rink season was the best season we've ever had. When asked about the Bella Vista Dam, Wright told PRAB we are proceeding. Every community is different, we will do what's best for the community.

**Meeting adjourned at BCC at 6:13 PM**