



**Bentonville Parks and Recreation
Advisory Board Meeting
Monday, May 4, 2026
5:00 p.m.
Adult Recreation Center
215 SW A Street**

Agenda

Old Business

1. Approval of April 2026 Meeting Minutes

New Business

1. Public Art Approval – Adult Recreation Center Art Pieces
2. ARC – Soft Opening Review + Grand Opening Plans
3. Parks and Recreation Organizational Structure
4. Parks and Recreation – 10 Year Master Plan Project

Other Business

1. June PRAB Meeting – Monday, June 1, 2026
Tour Parks Maintenance Operations Complex
401 NE Moberly Drive, Bentonville

Attachments

- PRAB Minutes – April 2026
2026 Capital Improvement Worksheet – May 2026



Bentonville Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting Minutes April 6, 2026

Meeting Date: April 6, 2026

Meeting Called to Order: 5:03 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned: 5:47 p.m.

Meeting Location: Adult Recreation Center

Members Attending: Allyson de la Houssaye, Austin Bryan, Brady Blake, Brooke Spenser, Jon Terlouw, Kristin Kuhlow, Ryan Hollingsworth, Ty Hoffine

Board Members Not Attending: Chris Sooter, Tacuma Williams

Staff Members Attending: Creek Wenger, Ed Kallas, Josh Stacey, Tracy Acosta, Wade Tomlinson

Old Business

Approval of April 6, 2026, Meeting Minutes

Motion to Approve: Kristin Kuhlow

Second: Ty Hoffine

Voted in Favor: All

Voted Opposed: All

Noted: Allyson de la Houssaye and Brooke Spenser attended last meeting

New Business

ARC Membership + Program Update

Ed Kallas provided updates on membership enrollment and programming for the Adult Recreation Center. There is approximately 750 premier members that are scheduled to begin using the facility on Thursday, April 30, 2026, for the Soft Opening. Additional memberships have already been sold in advance of the Grand Opening on Saturday, May 30, 2026. There is strong community interest, with approximately 800–900 individuals attending a recent open house event. Feedback has been positive, and staff anticipate high utilization once the facility is fully operational. Upcoming programming will include outdoor activities, recreational offerings, and special events designed to enhance the overall member experience. Staff noted continued efforts to refine scheduling, communication, and program delivery.

Current Trails Project Update

Board members discussed lighting along the Razorback Greenway, particularly in high-use corridors where limited visibility has been identified. A study is anticipated to evaluate lighting improvements along the greenway, including cost and feasibility considerations. Additional discussion included signage and safety considerations in high-traffic pedestrian areas, including bicycle activity in shared spaces. Also noted was that we need temporary signage to be utilized during special events. We will continue to evaluate opportunities to improve safety awareness.

2026 Parks and Recreation Capital Improvement Worksheet

FY 2017 Projects

Project	Budget	Status
McCollum Street Sidepath Trail - Phase II	\$ 600,000	Bidding Q2 2026
Razorback Greenway (P Street) Reroute	\$ 700,000	Construction Underway - 75% Complete

FY 2022 Projects

Project	Budget	Status
Bentonville Green Design	\$ 350,000	Project Underway - Schematic 50% Complete
McKissic Creek Trail	\$ 1,200,000	Project Finalizing Permitting

FY 2023 Projects

Project	Budget	Status
Walton Blvd Trail Safety Improvements	\$ 60,000	Plans Completed / Awaiting Implementation

FY 2024 Projects

Project	Budget	Status
8th Street Gateway Park Construction	\$ 37,000,000	Project Underway- 65% Complete
Adult Recreation Center	\$ 22,500,000	Project Complete
Streambank Erosion Study	\$ 12,000	Project Underway - 75% complete
SW Bentonville Trail - Morningstar to Vendor Dr - Design		Project in design - 90% Complete
T1 Bikeway Projects	\$ 400,000	Grant Submitted Bank Stabilization - Analysis and Design underway for bridge

FY 2025 Projects

Project	Budget	Status
Adult Recreation Center - FF&E	\$ 1,500,000	Project Underway - 90% Complete
Bikeway T1 Projects	\$ 215,000	Awaiting Designs for Trail Crossings
Lawrence Plaza Splash Pad Resurface	\$ 120,000	Project Complete
Parks Maintenance Facility - Construction	\$ 6,500,000	Project Underway - 75% Complete
Parks Maintenance Facility - FF&E	\$ 145,000	Complete
Phillips & Promenade Security Cameras	\$ 20,000	Phillips Cameras Installed Awaiting Dave Peel Completion for Remaining
Trail - Elm Tree 102 to 72	\$ 3,000,000	Design 95% Complete. Bidding Q2 2026
FY 2026 Projects		
Project	Budget	Status
Parks Maintenance FF&E (2026)	\$ 120,000	Project Underway-80% Complete
Little Sugar Creek - Dam Removal + Stream Restoration	\$ 4,500,000	Project Underway-10% Complete
Bike / Ped T1 Projects	\$ 400,000	
Bike Ped Wayfinding Signage	\$ 250,000	
Trail - JDS / Memorial Crosswalks		Bidding Underway
Trail - Elm Tree to Coler Design		Design Consultants Selection Underway
Trail - Greenway Intersection Improvements at 5th	\$ 500,000	Design Underway - 25% Complete
Trail - Wishing Spring Trail Relocation	\$ 3,538,831	Project Underway - 50% Complete
Trail Wishing Spring Erosion Repair / Rebuild	\$ 450,000	Project Design and Permitting Underway - 90% Complete
Trail - Arkansas Missouri Trail Extension (Moberly to MLK)	\$ 750,000	Project Under Design - 90% Complete

Trail - North Trail Concrete Replacement	\$ 165,000	Project Underway - 50% Complete
Memorial Park - Pickleball Court Design	\$ 300,000	Design Firm Selected - Contract Negotiations Started
Parks - 10 Year Master Plan	\$ 300,000	Design Firms Being Reviewed
Security Camera Install (BVL, Gateway, Dave Peel)	\$ 56,000	Q3 2026
Orchards Park - Landscape Boulder Improv	\$ 25,000	Complete
Citizens Park - Replace Brick Crosswalks	\$ 60,000	Project underway- Completion by June
Memorial - Tennis Resurface (9-12)	\$ 65,000	
Memorial - Soccer Restroom Maintenance / Epoxy	\$ 14,000	
Memorial - Concession Building 2nd Floor Flooring	\$ 20,000	In planning
Memorial - Fencing - 1/9 + 5/6	\$ 20,000	Complete
Memorial - Soccer - Regrade + Sod Improvements	\$ 150,000	In planning
Memorial - Softball Field Lights (6+8)	\$ 552,000	Project Under Contract - Scheduled for July 2026
MFAC - Pool Deck Upgrade Dive Blocks	\$ 57,000	In planning
MFAC - Dive Well Cover Replacement	\$ 12,500	Project Complete
MFAC - Lane Line Reels	\$ 10,000	
BCC - Locker Room / Cabana Flooring Maint (Epoxy)	\$ 25,000	
BCC - Washer + Dryer	\$ 6,000	Complete
BCC - Comp Pool UV System	\$ 50,000	Complete
BCC - Fitness / Cardio Equipment	\$ 110,000	Going To Council 4/14
Creekside - Pickleball Windscreens	\$ 18,000	Complete

Creekside - Drainage Repair	\$ 40,000	In planning
Bogle - Pavilion Roof Replacement	\$ 17,500	
Austin Baggett - Fallsafe Material / Turf	\$ 32,000	Quoting
2026 Capital Equipment		
Equipment	Budget	Status
Excavator - EV150 Vacuum Evacuator	\$ 48,000	Ordered-Delivery estimated June
Excavator - Small Mini EX	\$ 60,000	Ordered- Delivery estimated May
Mini Ex Attachment - Brush Cutter	\$ 10,000	
Gateway - Mower - Zero Turn 60"	\$ 17,000	Ordered- Estimated delivery August
Gateway - UTV Mule (2)	\$ 50,000	One of two arrived
Gateway - Trailer Flat Bed	\$ 7,000	Completed. Equipment In-Hand
Gateway - Dump Trailer	\$ 16,000	Completed. Equipment In-Hand
Sweeper - Snowex Walk Behind	\$ 7,250	Quoting
Phillips - Robot Turf Mower	\$ 36,000	Complete
Phillips - Robot Turf Mower Detail	\$ 8,000	Complete
Pull-Behind Large Overseeder	\$ 24,000	Ordered - Estimated delivery May
Pull Behind Turf Roller	\$ 13,000	Completed
ABI InField Groomer	\$ 38,000	Ordered Delivery June
Turf Tank - Robot Painter	\$ 65,000	Complete
Terrain Cutter Mower	\$ 125,000	Completed. Equipment In-Hand

Snow Blower Attachment	\$ 16,000	Completed. Equipment In-Hand
Vehicle - Ram 1500 Crew Cab New Sanitation	\$ 49,500	Complete
Vehicle - F250 Truck New Gateway	\$ 55,500	Complete
Vehicle - F350 Crew Cab Truck New Position Hort	\$ 69,000	Complete
Vehicle - F350 Reg Cab Dually Truck Forestry New Position	\$ 77,000	Complete
Vehicle - F350 Reg Cab Dually Truck Facil. Position	\$ 85,000	Ordered- Delivery estimated for May