



**Bentonville Parks and Recreation
Advisory Board Meeting
Monday, May 15, 2017 – 5pm
Downtown Activity Center – 215 SW A Street**

Agenda

Old Business

1. Approval of Minutes from April Meeting

New Business

1. Recreation Staff Reorganization
 - a. Introduction of Bryan Beeson, Parks Maintenance Foreman
2. Public Art Approval – Orchards Park – Monarch and Dandelions
3. 2018 Holiday Hours for BCC – Discussion of Closing on Easter Sunday
4. Site Visit – Slaughter Pen Restroom Facility

Other Business

Attachments:

*BPR Organization Chart
PAAC Proposal – Butterfly and Dandelion
April 2016 PRAB Minutes
Capital Improvement Worksheet – May 2017*

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The Bentonville Parks and Recreation Advisory Board met April 17, 2017 at the Downtown Activity Center.

Present were members Holly Hook, Courtney Schaffer, Craig Gilbert, Mike Power, Jon Terlouw, Chris Sooter, Shara Fisher and Tom Butrynski. Lee Farmer, Angel Stuler, David Wright, Jenn Valentine, Josh Stacey, Layne Moore and Crant Osborne were present for the staff.

Meeting began at 5:04PM

Old Business

1. Approval of Minutes from March meeting
 - Motion to approve by Hook
 - Butrynski seconded the motion
 - Approved 5-0

New Business

1. Capital Improvement Update
 - Melvin Ford Aquatic Center – The completion date for the Melvin Ford Aquatic Center is May 3rd. Wright told PRAB that on Wednesday, his team will meet with Pick-It Construction to discuss the exterior color. Wright also stated, we've used Pick-It Construction for multiple projects in the past and we've never experienced problems. That said, once the green roof is installed and if the color still does not look correct, we will repaint the exterior.
 - Citizens Park Trail – Design Specs have been approved by Arkansas Highway and Transportation Department. Wright said we hope to be out to bid in 4-5 weeks and under construction by the end of the summer/early fall.
 - Razorback Greenway Realignment – We are in the process of speaking with the last few property owners regarding the Razorback Greenway realignment that will allow us to proceed with a tunnel under Hwy 102.
2. Recreation Program Update
 - Bentonville Half Marathon – The recreation team gave a short presentation on the different programs. Moore began with the Bentonville Half Marathon. The race took place on Saturday, April 1st and it was our most successful race to date. With over 3,000 runners (2400 in the half-marathon) and a new expo location at The Record, Moore said we've received lots of positive feedback. The new expo location was well received with it being downtown and though it was a smaller space than the TAC, The Record gave the runners a more intimate setting. Food trucks were positioned outside as well.

- Easter at Orchards Park – Stacey gave the Easter at Orchards Park report. He said the event went smoothly and improves more and more every year. 40,000 total Easter eggs were given out at the event. The event also featured 7 inflatables, 3 food vendors, and 6 game stations. In addition, a new program was added to the event, and that was a special egg hunt for kids with special needs. Feedback was positive for this, and it was a great opportunity to reach out to the families and offer something more for them.
- Bentonville Community Center – Farmer updated PRAB on the BCC. The BCC has 5600 individual memberships. Terlow asked Farmer if there is a cut-off on memberships, and Farmer said we are not there yet. There are certain times that the BCC is busy, but it hasn't had a large impact on current members. Farmer updated PRAB on the new aquatics recreation staff position and employee, Kelsey McIntyre as well. Due to swim lessons doing so well and already surpassing our yearly goal in only April, there was a need for additional staff to handle the swim lesson volume.
- Melvin Ford Aquatic Center - Melvin Ford Aquatic Center opens Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend. Wright also reminded PRAB, these updates only include 4 of the 140 programs Bentonville Parks and Recreation offers.

3. Parks Master Plan Update

- May 31 – Lunch Meeting Re: Final Draft of Plan – we will send a meeting invite
- June 1 – Public Meeting Re: Final Draft of Plan
- June 12 – Final Presentation to PRAB – Adoption of Plan
- June 13 – Final Presentation to City Council – Adoption of Plan

Other Business

PRAB asked staff for an update on the Bella Vista Dam project. Wright explained that he was aware that the Friends of Little Sugar Creek filed a lawsuit against the Core of Engineers. In addition, the permit issued in December recently expired. When the permit expired, the lawsuit was dropped. Gilbert asked why can't we remove the dam? Wright told Gilbert, the City of Bentonville has a contract with the previous landowner (Trailblazers) to repair the dam if any damage occurs. At this point, they Trailblazers and Cooper have not indicated a willingness to deviate from the original agreement.

Meeting adjourned at 6:09 PM

Project	Budget	Status
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FY - 2016 Rollover Projects		
2016 - Parks and Recreation Master Plan	\$200,000	In Progress - Anticipated Adoption Summer 2017
2016 - Razorback Greenway Wayfinding Signage	\$45,000	Project Complete
2016 - Citizens Park Trail	\$358,000	AHTD has approved all bid specs; waiting for authorization to bid
2016 - Phillips Park Restrooms	\$53,000	
2016 - Phillips Park Scorebooths		
2016 - Razorback Greenway Fitness Station	\$68,000	Project Complete
FY 2017 Projects		
Melvin Ford Aquatic Center Renovations	\$505,000	Project Complete
Citizens Park Pavilion / Parking Lot	\$400,000	Project in Design - Project scheduled to bid in May
Citizens Park Amphitheater	\$20,000	Project in Design - Project scheduled to bid in May
Citizens Park Inclusive Playground		First Review Complete - Designer making revisions
Slaughter Pen Restrooms	\$67,000	Restrooms Installed - Site Work in June
North Bentonville Trail - Creek Stabalazation	\$115,000	

Razorback Greenway ReRoute - Design and ROW	\$440,000	ALTA hired to create design and oversee ROW acquisition
Razorback Greenway ReRoute - Construction	TBD	Construction Project - \$500,000 Grant from AHTD
McCullough Street Sidepath Trail	\$600,000	Project approved by City Council - Design in Process
Memorial Park BB / SB Fencing Project	\$75,000	
Memorial Park Soccer Fencing Project	\$12,000	Project Complete
Memorial Soccer Field Renovations	\$55,000	
Memorial - Soccer Recycle Containers	\$16,000	Bins Ordered - Expect Delivery Spring
Memorial - Tennis Court Resurface	\$20,000	
Memorial - Bleachers Replacement	\$30,000	Bleachers Ordered
Orchards Park - Stone Work	\$16,000	Bids complete - Work begins June
City Website Update	\$65,000	Project Kickoff - April 18. Launch Date February 2018
Public Art - Razorback Greenway Bike Towers	\$24,000	Project Complete
BCC - Natatorium Sound Panels	\$47,000	
Trail Amenities - Signage	\$15,000	Signs in Production
Wishing Spring Trail Tunnel Lights	\$41,000	Lights installed in late May / early June
Grant Funded Projects - Not necessarily administered by BPR		

North Walton Trail - Harps to Stonehenge		Project underway - 20% Complete - expected completion October
Lake Bella Vista - Parking Lot Improvements	250,000 Grant	Property Transfer in process
Razorback Greenway - Downtown Realignment		Project Complete
3rd Street - 8th Street Trail		Project in design - expect to bid within 30 days
Lake Bentonville Improvements		Project Design in approval stages - City Council April 25

PUBLIC ART PROPOSAL



All applications submitted for consideration to the Bentonville Public Art Advisory Committee must include this application form and the supporting material requested below. Materials can be submitted electronically (MS-Word or PDF format) or in paper format to Shelli Kerr at skerr@bentonvilleart.com.

ARTIST INFORMATION

Name Amanda Wilshire
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Telephone 3039954884
Email amanda@awdart.com

ARTWORK INFORMATION

Title The Monarch and Dandelions
Location Orchard's Park
Size 18' x 12' x 10'
Medium Steel, bike cogs, bike wheels, plastics
Life expectancy 80+ years
Cost estimate \$15,000
Funding source
Bentonville Advertising and Promotion Commission

Method of fabrication & installation

The butterfly wings are made of steel bike cogs welded to a steel frame. The reds and yellows are made of broken plastic taillights and turn signals from autos that have been epoxied together like stained glass. The frames of the wings are welded to a 5" x 3" x 23" tube creating the base of the body. Bike forks, a seat and handle bars are welded to the body base mimicking the thorax, abdomen, head and antennae. Each dandelion is created using about 20 bike wheels each welded to a 1.5" x ~24" pipe. These pipe ends are welded to a 5-6" steel ball creating the wispy flower. The ball is welded to the top of the stem (a 3" steel pipe) which is welded to a 3' x 3' x 1/4" steel base. The bases will be bolted to concrete slabs poured in place in Orchard Park.

Special requirements (i.e. water, electricity)

Not applicable

Timeline for design, fabrication and installation

The butterfly and one dandelion are built and on-loan to the city of Longmont until June. Fabrication of the four additional dandelions will begin in April. Installation of all components to occur mid-June, 2017.

Ongoing maintenance requirements

A yearly application of Everbrite coating (<https://www.everbritecoatings.com/cart/everbrite-coating-only-c-6.html>) is best to prevent rust. The entire structure can and should be sprayed with this coating every three years. An initial coating will be applied prior to installation with any needed touch-ups sprayed after installation.

SUPPORT MATERIALS

- ☐ **Illustration of proposed work**
Provide at least one sketch, drawing or digital illustration of the proposed work. Proposal illustrations should accurately and clearly describe the proposed work.
- ☐ **Artist portfolio**
Provide at least three (3) images of previous artwork. These may be imbedded into a Word or PDF document and must include a title, date, media and description of each image.
- ☐ **Artist resume/CV**
Provide an artist resume/CV and include artist website or links to web resources, if available.

Narrative (describe the inspiration for the artwork and how it contributes to the visitor's experience)

My first bike was deep blue with beautiful butterflies on the frame. The banana seat had a cool inlay of sparkly material down the center that felt nice and smooth – as long as it didn't sit in the sun too long. The exaggerated V-wing handlebars had shimmering blue streamers to match the seat. I've been in love with biking since.

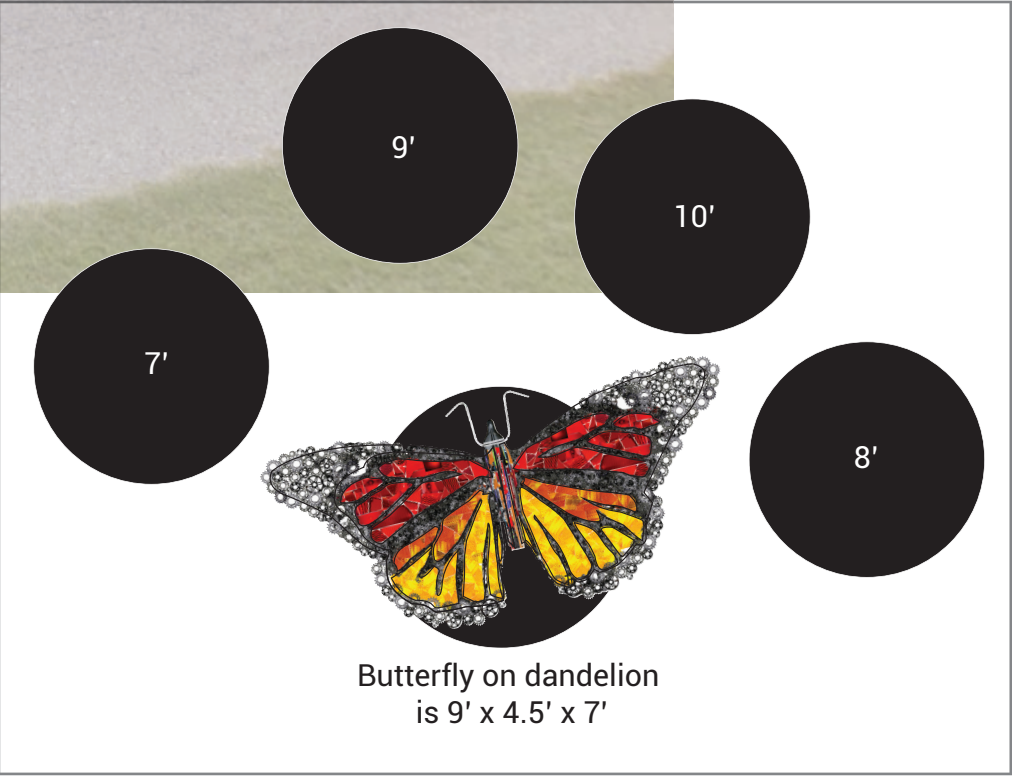
A few years ago I began doing long-distance rides. Biking allows me to get back to nature. I would often see hawks, deer, coyotes, fox, and butterflies on my rides. Around that same time I began shifting my work focus from graphic design to metal art – a transformation. When the weather is nice I open the studio garage door which allows me to move freely from inside to outside work areas. For a few months of the year, beautiful monarchs and yellowtails make their way through Denver. Often times, they fly into the studio as if to say hi – landing on me or my work table. It occurred to me to combine these two loves and create a giant butterfly of bike parts with the cogs being a perfect representation of the wings.

The dandelion rose out of a need of a base for the butterfly to hover above. This creates an airy and interesting structure for the butterfly. The addition of the four dandelions will create a magical space for visitors to walk in and around. The "Butterfly and Dandelions" challenges the visitor's perspective of not only size but use of materials.



The Monarch and Dandelions

The existing butterfly and dandelion will center the installation with four additional dandelions of varying heights surrounding. Each dandelion will mount to it's own concrete pad.



View from above showing the heights of the outer dandelions. The space for the entire installation will be approximately 18' x 12'.