

**Ankeny Park Board Meeting
March 27, 2017
Parks & Recreation Office
220 W First Street**

Meeting Minutes:

Call to Order: Chairperson Amber Angaran called the Park Board meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Chad Hade was not in attendance. Nick Lenox, David Jones and Leslie Reab represented City of Ankeny staff.

Approval of Minutes: The February meeting minutes were reviewed and approved with a motion from Jim Hallihan and a second from Lisa McDaniel. All approved.

May 2nd Bond Referendum Overview: City Manager David Jones presented the Board with information on the upcoming special city election on the issuance of bonds to help fund a new fire station and a new library. Jones informed the board that the bonds will also support repurposing the existing Kirkendall Library into office space for City staff, including the Recreation Department. Jones stated the new fire station and library are needed to meet the demands of Ankeny's growth in population.

After the referendum presentation, Park Board members had a few questions for Jones regarding the Department's budget and additional opportunities to help secure future greenspace for the community. Lenox stated that the Parks & Recreation Department will continue to work with City Administration and City Council on future parks and facility recommendations. The current Parks & Facilities Comprehensive Plan is scheduled to be updated beginning this fall with the completion of the process ending in the spring of 2018. Lenox explained the tentative schedule and process to update the Parks & Facilities Comprehensive Plan, and that the Park Board will be heavily involved with its development.

Director's Report:

Chairperson's Report: No report.

Board Member Reports:

- Church: No report.
- Craighead: No report.
- Hallihan: Jim informed the board the spring Miracle League season begins on Saturday, May 6.
- McDaniel: No report.
- Scherle: No report.

Board Representative @ April 17 Council Meeting: Josh Craighead will represent Park Board at the Council meeting.

Adjournment: Lisa McDaniel moved meeting adjournment and Fred Scherle provided the second. The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m. by standing vote.

Minutes Reported By: Leslie Reab, Parks & Recreation Administrative Assistant