



**Traffic Safety and Signage Committee
Meeting Minutes
May 5, 2025
2:00 PM
Bentonville City Hall**

I. Old Business

1. **Road Connectivity - Osage Hills Neighborhood** **Informational**
Ramesh Bonakurthi -
ramesh.bonakurthi@gmail.com

Mr. Bonakurthi request this item be brought back before the Committee to review the area.

Minutes from 04/01/24:

Osage Hills Subdivision request connection to SW Regional Airport from SW Anglin Road. Area is a part of the Master Street Plan but is not on the current bond/project list. With growth in the area, project could be moved up. No action taken at this time.

Committee explained that the City does not have a current plan for connectivity but it is on the Master Street Plan. The Planning Department has Developers online to construct connectivity as the area grows. No vote taken.

2. **Signage Request - Stop Signs, Creekstone Subdivision** **Informational**
Jon Rustad, rustad.jon@gmail.com

Review Traffic Counts

Minutes from 4/7/25:

Street Department has counters in place and if warranted, advises adding the two 4-way stops at both intersections. There is custom poles and the POA will need to decide on the style that will be installed. If installed by the City, it will meet the street specs only. Tyler Overstreet made motion to table until counts are reviewed, seconded by Cindy Acree. Voice vote, motion approved.

After review of the counts, Ray Shastid made a motion to approve the installation of 2 four-way stop signs in the Creekstone Subdivision as requested. If the subdivision (POA) wants to use decorative poles, they will be required to fund and install themselves, with the proper permits. If the subdivision (POA) would like to City to install, it will be placed on a Work Order. The Subdivision (POA) must work with the Street

Department going forward. Seconded by Justin Scantlin. Voice vote, motion approved.

3. **Signage Request - No Thru Trucks** **Informational**
Jon Thompson, jet6583@gmail.com
Transportation Department update

Mintues from 4/7/25:

The committee suggested that the Transportation Division meet with the County & ARDOT to discuss possible signage and the locations. Cindy Acree made a motion to table for one month and bring a design/solution back to the Committee, seconded by Daniel Clardy. Voice vote, motion approved.

The Committee reviewed the Street Department recommendations for signage. After discussion, Cindy Acree made a motion to approve the signage for Nomad from Regional Airport to Sears Road with the other areas on map to come back on the agenda for full review. Seconded by James Gibson. Voice vote, motion approved.

II. **New Business - Public Comment to be Heard with Agenda Item**

1. **Construction - SW 8th Street** **Informational**
Crossland Heavy Contractors

Crossland Heavy Contractors is requesting to establish a construction zone o slow traffic through our work area on the 8th St. Gateway Park project, specifically, construction of the truss bridges over the roadway. Although none of our work occurs directly in the roadway, we do have work near the edge of the road and have to cross the road regularly. (LSD23-0047)

Dan Weese made a motion to approve the Construction Zone from Melissa Drive east to SW I Street. With the contractor coming back in 90 days to review the work zone. Contractors will also follow the normal process for road closures when related to a Large Scale Development. Seconded by Cindy Acree. Voice vote, motion approved.

2. **Special Event/Closure - Strider Enjoy** **Informational**
Cup
Nicole Dougan,
Nicole@striderbikes.com

Street closure request of Main STreet from Legion Lane to Central and 2nd Street from Main to Neighborhood Market on Saturday, October 11 until 10pm.

After a full review of events and current closures in the proposed area, Justin Scantlin made a motion to approve with the understanding that due to construction changes the closure may need to be modified. Strider is to work closely with DBI, Visit Bentonville and the City as we move closer to the event date of October 11th. Seconded by Tyler Overstreet. 8-1 upon voice vote, one opposed, Cindy Acree.

3. **Special Event/Closure - Little & Big Sugar Events** **Informational**
Amy Springer,
amy@visitbentonville.com
Little Sugar – Sunday, October 12, 2025
Finish Fest Road Closures Requests: Saturday, Oct. 11 7:00pm – Sunday, Oct. 12 11:00pm
1) NW 2nd St between Onyx and SE A St
2) N. Main St. from Central, North to 5th St

Big Sugar – Saturday, October 18, 2025
NOTE: Expo has been moved to The Momentary on Thursday & Friday
Finish Fest Road Closures Requests: Friday, Oct. 17 7:00pm – Saturday, Oct. 18 11:00pm
1) NW 2nd St between NW A St and SE A St
After a full review of events and current closures in the proposed area, Ray Shastid made a motion to approve with the understanding that, due to construction changes, the closures/routes may need to be modified and must be flexible. Seconded by David Bailey. Voice vote, motion approved.
4. **Special Event/Closure - Bentonville Library** **Informational**
Hadi Dudley,
hdudley@bentonvillear.com
Request closures for 2 events at Bentonville Public Library

4th Annual OZ Kids Bike & Book Fest on Saturday, June 28, 2025, from 10AM-12PM (8AM-1PM street closure). The event is free and open to all with 1,500 anticipated attendance. Rain date: Saturday, July 12, 2025. Location: Library, Train Station Park and parking lot at Train Station. BPL requests to close a small section of Main Street to allow patrons to safely participate in activities on BPL's front lawn and to safely cross the street. The event ends with a patriotic parade of children on bikes and will require a rolling street closure for the short duration of 15 minutes between 11:30AM - 12:00PM. Two routes are being considered by BPL.

GeekCon celebration on Saturday, September 20, 2025, from 11AM-2PM (8AM-3PM street closure). The event is free and open to all with 1,500 anticipated attendance. The event takes place at the Library, Train Station Park and the parking lot at the Train Station. The Library requests to close a small section of Main Street to allow patrons to safely participate in activities on BPL's front lawn and to safely cross the street. In the event of rain, activities will be adjusted to occur inside the library.
Cindy Acree made a motion to approve as submitted. Seconded by David Bailey. Voice vote, motion approved.
5. **Street Closure-Bentonville Together** **Informational**
Stephaine Marpe,
stephanie@downtownbentonville.org

We are requesting the Parking space on Central Ave for June 5th from 1pm-8pm.

This is in conjunction with the City's Bentonville Together Celebration. DBI is shifting Bentonville Together to a 3 day Festival, kicking off with a movie night on June 5th. The spaces on Central will be reserved for our Presenting Sponsor (Pepsi). This closure is plan B. Plan A is to use the Promenade on SE A Street.

Justin Scantlin made a motion to approve up to five of the eastern most spaces at the requested location on Central, must not obstruct any ADA ramps/parking. Seconded by Cindy Acree. Voice vote, motion approved.

III. Miscellaneous

1. Cindy Acree - Last minute add - NW 3rd & Freestone

Cindy Acree requested that the crosswalk/sidewalk request for NW 3rd Street & NW Freestone be brought back due to a possible new construction project in the area. After discussion, item will be added to the next agenda.

IV. Next Proposed Meeting:

1. Monday, June 2, 2025

Kirby Romines, City Clerk

Stephanie Orman, Mayor