



**Traffic Safety and Signage Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
March 2, 2026  
2:00 PM  
Bentonville City Hall**

**I. Old Business**

**1. Crosswalk at Legacy Village Request**

**Informational**

Donna Werst, [Werstfam5@gmail.com](mailto:Werstfam5@gmail.com)

Increasing traffic on John DeShields makes it difficult to access the dog park from Legacy Village & Crystal Flats. We would like to see another crosswalk installed for easier access.

- Tyler Overstreet made a motion to install a three-way with a marked crosswalk at the NE Legacy Way intersection as Phase 1 of this request. The motion was seconded by Cindy Acree and approved by voice vote.
- Tyler Overstreet then made a motion to approve a mid-block crossing at Crystal Flats, contingent upon Parks and Recreation approval of a cost-share agreement for design and construction as Phase 2. The motion was seconded by Cindy Acree and approved by voice vote.

**2. Traffic Calming - NW Freestone and NW 3rd Street  
Donna Wing**

**Informational**

Request review of the newly added stop signs and alternative methods due to the increased traffic issues and sound. Application and Petition attached.

- Following public comment, Cindy Acree made a motion to immediately remove the stop signs. Pedestrian crossing warning signs will be installed in place of the removed stop signs. The motion was seconded by Daniel Clardy. Upon voice vote, the motion was approved.
- David Wright made a motion to evaluate a sidewalk on the north side as a new project and bring it back to the committee with funding options. The motion was seconded by Dan Weese. Upon voice vote, the motion was approved.

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

1. **Dangerous Intersection - Foxfire Lane / N Walton Boulevard / NW A Street** **Informational**

Tyler Harbin, [tbh0002@gmail.com](mailto:tbh0002@gmail.com)

1. Install a Protected Pedestrian/Bicycle Crossing or Tunnel across N. Walton Blvd.  
2. Install interim traffic control and evaluate long-term traffic control measures for the intersection. I am requesting immediate pedestrian/cyclist-safety improvements at this dangerous intersection for pedestrians to safely access the nearby Slaughter Pen Trails and Razorback Greenway. According to ARDOT, average daily traffic is approx. 48,000 vehicles/day (47% increase since the opening of I-49) on N. Walton and 5,800 vehicles/day on NW A Street, which creates long queues, limited gaps for left turns, and frequent near-misses involving vehicles and pedestrians. I am requesting immediate safety measures be implemented before someone is seriously injured or worse.

- Following public comment, city staff will obtain updated traffic counts in April and will report the findings to the committee once the data collection has been completed.

2. **OZ Kids Bike & Book Fest: 5th Annual Event** **Informational**

Hadi Dudley, [hadi.dudley@bentonville.ar.gov](mailto:hadi.dudley@bentonville.ar.gov)

Request to close small section of Main Street on Saturday, June 27, 2026. Time: 7AM - 1PM, includes set-up and tear-down. 1500+ attendees, including children on bikes to attend this free community event. This road closure has proven to be a safe option for the festival. No rain date selected. We will delay event time or cancel in case of storm conditions. Request PD and paramedic presence.

- David Wright made a motion to approve as submitted. Cindy Acree seconded. Upon voice vote, the motion approved.

3. **Signage Placement to promote Bike fest** **Informational**

Jeff Nicholas, [jeff@visitbentonville.com](mailto:jeff@visitbentonville.com)

Billboard that will be 32 square feet will be placed at the entrance of Applegate property on an existing post replacing an old billboard. This is the 5th consecutive year of this event and billboard. Mach up to come.

- The Committee informed the applicant that a conditional use permit will be required for any sign placement. No vote needed.

III. **Miscellaneous**

**IV. Next Proposed Meeting:**

- 1. April 6, 2026**

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Kirby Romines, City Clerk

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Stephanie Orman, Mayor