



*Transforming Wichita into a more livable, accessible, connected city by making biking and walking safe, equitable, and appealing.*

Thursday, June 21, 2018

5:30pm – 7:00pm

BWW Headquarters (131 S. Laura)

[Meeting Minutes](#)

## Welcome & Introductions

22 of our friends joined the meeting.

Guests: City of Wichita Director of Transit Michael Tann, Ron & Karen Adame

It's always great having new friends join us. All meetings are open! Join us in-person or virtually.

## Celebrations/Volunteer Highlights

- **Bike Month ICT 2018** Another successful month full of events & local biking promotion! Bike to School Day and Bike to Work Day were both a hit. New website & Facebook pages were created. Visit [www.bikemonthICT.org](http://www.bikemonthICT.org) or [www.facebook.org/bikemonthict](https://www.facebook.org/bikemonthict)
- **RiverFest 2018** thanks to numerous volunteers we were able to provide bike valet parking all 9 days of the festival and host 2 Bike ICT Tours and 3 Wichita History Tours! BWW also had a nice presence in the Sundowners Parade.
- **Wichita's Bicycle Friendly City designation** Congratulations to the City of Wichita for achieving Bronze-level designation from the League of American Bicyclists! The designation couldn't have been accomplished without BWW and numerous other organizations and businesses.
- **Local Artist: Ron Adame** was inspired at the Blood Road documentary screening and decided to paint and donate a scene commemorating the evening! The oil painting is on display at BWW HQ's. Special thanks to Ron and his wife Karen!

## Guest Speaker

**Michael Tann, Director of Transit** recently accepted the position and moved from Pennsylvania. He is excited to partner with local non-profits & businesses. He understands the importance of alternative modes of transportation and how they can work together to create a stronger network. He suggested that BWW might want to send a representative to the Transit Safety meeting that occurs monthly.

## Bike Walk Wichita: Tours & Routes app

**The app** is almost ready! Dom & Roz are close to having it ready to upload walking and biking routes. We will have a route training on June 28<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm, everyone interested is invited. You can download the app in Google Play Store or the iTunes Store. The app will have "self-guided" tours with photos & info that will "pop-up" as you walk/bike along (or you can manually move along the route by swiping, instead of using your phone GPS). If you have a favorite walk or ride, email us.

## Northeast Wichita Updates

It has already been one year and our grant is wrapping up. Fortunately, the grant just helped boost our efforts; we will continue engaging and supporting efforts in Northeast Wichita! Couple of updates:

- **Place Making Project** will be installed in July. We are partnering with the city to permanently install the seating and table to create a small gathering area at Douglas & the Canal Route. Kim will keep us posted. The grant will pay for the cement pad and we will install the donated bike air pump.
- **HealthCore Clinic** is almost done with their walking path. They will let us know when they are ready to promote it. We provided a \$500 mini-grant to help with the installation of a bike rack.
- **Iasis Christian Center** will be conducting walkability audits in NE Wichita. This will help test our Walkability Audit tool.

## Upcoming Events & Projects

- **Second Sunday Slow Roll** will kick-off on July 8<sup>th</sup>. Join us at Exploration Place at 4pm for a leisurely ride along the river. This is perfect for beginners and children. We will host this monthly.
- **Santa Fe Lake Bike Camping Trip** July 28-29. Several have expressed interest in this self-supported ride & overnight campout, but ride leaders are needed! Please let Jack know if you are interested in helping out.
- **BWW Annual Celebration** Ready to party? We need a party planning team. We are looking at early October or Saturday, Nov 4<sup>th</sup> tentatively. If you are interested, email [info@bikewalkwichita.org](mailto:info@bikewalkwichita.org) or check out the Trello card for details. Cookout + glow walk & ride? Could rent Hyde Park building. Matt offered raffle items.
- **Open Streets ICT 9/23** – will be closing Douglas from Oliver to Glenn and will open the street for everyone to walk, run, bike, and play on from Noon to 4pm. We will have a table with obstacle course & other activities, along with bike parking at our intersection (Douglas & Laura). We are also helping organize the bike parade! We want to make it huge this year! Bike parade leaders needed!!!

## BWW WorkGroup Updates

**WomenBikeICT** – SHE Bikes Summit + Ride was a success! 55 women attended, most we did not know. The women will be scheduling a meeting and rides soon. Moriah & Aimee are planning rides.

**Education** – Continues to schedule a variety of bike education classes, check out the calendar for a full list of classes. *Next meeting is Tuesday, July 10<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm (bike ride to Aero Plains Brewery for mtg)*

**ReCycle** – Continues receiving and repairing bikes for those in need of transportation. Hours have been expanded on Saturdays to 10am-4pm. Bike repair days are *every Tues & Thurs 6-8pm & Sat 1-4pm* at BWW HQ's. Drop in, everyone and all skill levels welcome! We have a good supply of kid bikes that need fixing up. Jack and Carey will host a table for World Refugee Day. We are expanding into the new space and building new workbenches.

**Pedestrian** – Walkability Audits are coming in! We are promoting them on Facebook and receiving a lot of attention. Jack has set up our ESRI account, so we now have access to the data. Barbara is scheduling the

Riverside Park Walkabout for 9-11am on July 21<sup>st</sup> in celebration of Wichita's birthday.  
*Next meeting is Tuesday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> at 4:30pm.*

**Outreach/Communications** – We will start our Second Sunday Slow Roll rides in July. This is a no drop. We also need volunteers to help with several upcoming events. Check out the schedule and sign up at [www.bikewalkwichita.org/volunteer](http://www.bikewalkwichita.org/volunteer) to find events. Help us share our bike/ped love in creative, fun ways! Wanting to start collecting and sharing the stories we hear daily. We need assistance with ramping up our social media, especially on Twitter & Pinterest. Continues publishing two newsletters each month and advocacy alerts as needed. *Next meeting is Wednesday, July 11<sup>th</sup> at 5:15pm.*

ALL workgroups need to make sure their meeting info is updated on the BWW calendar, create an event in Facebook for meetings, and share the agenda prior to each meeting. Don't forget to update your evaluation numbers monthly. [www.bikewalkwichita.org/evalform/](http://www.bikewalkwichita.org/evalform/) **\*If you can't join in-person, most meetings have virtual options!**

## City of Wichita Updates

The city is working on 5 walkability projects and BWW members are working behind the scenes to support efforts. Toole Design Group is one of the consultants leading projects and we continue to respond to their volunteer needs and resident engagement. Watch for Advocacy Alerts and input meetings!

It is City Budget season! We have shared several alerts to encourage resident input on priorities. Watch for Advocacy Alerts and please feel free to always contact your city/county decision makers!

Clayton Pearson is working on mapping bike parking throughout the city, including what type of facility. He has created a Google Map that will be shared soon. He will be looking for help plotting the locations.

Sharon mentioned that we need to push the city to proceed with developing the low water bridge that will help connect the Prairie Sunset Trail to Wichita.

**Next Monthly Meeting: Thursday, July 19, 2018 @ 5:30 pm**

Office Hours: Friday & Saturday 1-4pm

Call us at: 316-530-2990

Connect with us on:      