

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### CHARLEY YOUNG EVENT PARK SPRING/SUMMER SCHEDULE

DATE	EVENT	TIME	SPONSOR
1st	Touch-A-Truck	9:30-11:30 AM	Library
1st	Farmer's Market	8-11AM	FM
8th	Movies in the Park: Ralph Breaks the Internet	9 PM	City of Bixby
15th	NPF Ride www.teamnfp.org/tulsacycle	5:30 AM Registration 6:30 AM Start	Nat'l Psoriasis Foundation
15th	Farmer's Market	8-11 AM	FM
27th-29th	Green Corn Festival	See panel on other page	Bixby Optimist Club

FM - Farmer's Market

### What's Happening at the Bixby Library? (20 E Breckenridge Ave)

**Touch-A-Truck & Summer Reading Program Kickoff at CYEP**  
Saturday, June 1 / 9:30-11:30 AM

Explore all kinds of emergency vehicles. Prize drawings at 11:30 AM for everyone who signs up for the Summer Reading Program.

**Summer Reading Program**  
May 28 - August 3rd

Everyone can earn coupons and prizes! Follow the Bixby Library on Facebook to see all the fun programs being offered for all ages.

### Bixby Community Center (211 N Cabaniss Ave)

**United Way Bingo**

Saturday, June 1 / 1-3 PM

\$2 per card – cards good for all games.

**Discover Nature with the Tulsa County Parks & Recreation**

1st Saturday of June, July, and August

Register through the Bixby Community Center. Small fees involved.  
More information available on BCC Facebook page.



Friday, June 28 / 5:30-10 PM / Bentley Park

Fireworks at 9:45 / Kid's Zone, Food Vendors, Patriotic Program presented by The Bridge Church / bixbyfreedomcelebration.com

## CONNECTING WITH BIXBY

### FIREWORK PERMITS

Persons within the city limits may use or otherwise discharge permissible fireworks only from three o'clock (3:00) P.M. to eleven o'clock (11:00) P.M. on July 4th, 5th and 6th. Participating retailers will be selling residential firework discharge permits for \$25.00. Beginning June 20th permits are available at City Hall for \$20.00.

- Ever wonder how to report a pothole, downed street sign, or malfunctioning traffic light? It is easy to generate a work order with the City of Bixby. Either call 918-366-4430 or report a problem online at [www.bixbyok.gov/report-issues/](http://www.bixbyok.gov/report-issues/)
- Nixle is a service offered by the City of Bixby to keep you up to date with emergency, advisory, and community information. Sign up to receive relevant information regarding streets, utilities, weather, traffic, community events, and more. Opt in to the service by texting your ZIP code to 888777 or sign up by visiting [www.nixle.com/](http://www.nixle.com/).
  - For Bixby event information text **BIXBYEVENTS** to **888777**.
  - For emergencies and important City information text **74008** to **888777**.

Connect with the City of Bixby on [BixbyOK.gov](http://BixbyOK.gov) and [www.facebook.com/BixbyCity](https://www.facebook.com/BixbyCity) to stay informed on City events, updates on bond projects, and other information.

City Council Meetings:

- 6 PM / 2nd and 4th Mondays each month
  - City Council Chambers / Bixby Municipal Bldg. / 116 W Needles
- Council meeting agendas and minutes are posted on the City of Bixby website, [BixbyOK.gov](http://BixbyOK.gov).

### IMPORTANT CITY/SERVICES NUMBERS

General Information	918-366-4430
Start/stop/transfer service	918-366-4430
Billing inquiries	918-366-4430
Payment arrangements	918-366-4430
Fax	918-366-6373
After hours/emergency	918-366-8294
Okie Line Locate	800-522-6543
Oklahoma Natural Gas	800-664-5463
Public Service of Oklahoma	888-216-3523
Oklahoma Gas & Electric	800-272-9741
East Central Electric	918-756-0833
BTC Broadband	918-366-8000

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## Downtown Streetscape Project Status Report

Bixby's Downtown Streetscape Project is the first project funded from the Bixby Vision sales tax extension to fund Downtown River Corridor Revitalization efforts. Bids were received on December 19th, 2018 for the project. The bid was awarded to the lowest and best bid. However, the company that was awarded notified the City they were unable to execute the project. At the February 25, 2019 City Council meeting Bixby City Council authorized that new bids be requested for the project. The project was awarded to Paragon on March 25th. The 365-day contract began on May 20th, with work started on May 28th.

*"Revitalization of our Downtown District is essential to the future of our community. Public investment will provide the infrastructure to promote private investment in our Downtown."*

**Mayor Brian Guthrie**

*"Creating and sustaining destination attractions within our City is one of the primary focus areas in our economic development strategy."*

**Jared Cottle,  
City Manager**



Downtown River District crosswalk

## National Public Works Week

May 19th – May 25th was **National Public Works Week**.

One of the main goals of this week is to educate the general public about the value and necessities of public works projects throughout Bixby. Every year, the City spends a considerable amount of money on the repair of pumps damaged by materials in the impellers of our sanitary sewer lift stations. Flushing materials down the toilet that do not disintegrate like tissue paper, can cause clogs to your pipes as well as damage pump stations. The Public Works Department is asking for your assistance to help us protect our infrastructure.



These materials should not be flushed down the toilet.

- Facial tissues
- Baby wipes, disinfectant wipes, moist wipes, etc.
- Toilet bowl scrub pads
- Swiffers
- Napkins (paper or cloth), paper towels
- Dental floss
- Egg shells, nutshells, and coffee grounds
- Fats, oils, and greases
- Flour
- Flushable Cat Litter
- Hair
- Feminine hygiene products, or non-organic material
- Vitamins, medicines or other pharmaceuticals
- Sheet plastic, or plastic of any kind
- Diapers (cloth, disposable, “flushable”)

## 2019 Green Corn Festival

**June 27-29**

Great corn, thrilling carnival rides, fun games, live music, and more in downtown Bixby at the Charley Young Event Park – a festival of old-fashioned, family-friendly entertainment. Browse arts and crafts vendor booths, sample various foods from on-site vendors throughout the day, and check out the pageants and talent shows for an awesome slice of small town charm brought to you by the Bixby Optimist Club.

### Thursday, June 27 | 6-11 PM

Carnival	6:00 - 11:00
Grand Opening Ceremony	6:45
Free Roasting Ears ( <i>while they last</i> )	7:30
Gospel Music	7:00 - 10:00

### Friday, June 28 | 5-11 PM

Carnival	6:00 - 11:00
Green Corn Talent Show*	1:00 - 5:00
Little Miss / Mister Green Corn Pageant*	6:00 - 8:00
Live Music	6:00 - 10:00
<i>BC &amp; The Big Rig</i>	6:00 - 8:00
<i>Jack Walters Band</i>	8:30 - 10:00

### Saturday, June 29 | 9 AM-11 PM

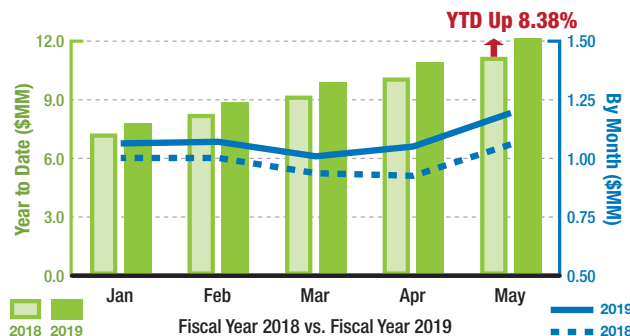
Morning Events:	
Green Corn Parade	10:00
Box Turtle & Bull Frog Races Sign Up	8:30
<i>Box Turtle Races</i>	9:00
<i>Bull Frog Races</i>	9:30
Carnival	Noon - 11:00
Child and Adult Games	11:30 - 4:00
Live Music and Park Dance	6:00 - 11:00
<i>Moonshine Miracle Band</i>	6:00 - 8:00
<i>Danny Davis &amp; The Dirt Road Detours</i>	8:30 - 11:00

\* Event takes place at the Bixby Community Center

## Sales Tax Growing in Bixby

Totals in City of Bixby sales tax from January to May of 2019 show significant economic growth. From May 2018 to May 2019, Bixby has seen an overall increase of 8.38%. The City of Bixby continues to lead the region in growth and economic development. In November 2018, Vice Mayor John Easton (formerly Mayor) touched on the financial stability of Bixby at his State of the City Address, “Financially Bixby is in great shape. Commerce within the city is trending up. The future of Bixby is bright, Bixby is a good investment.”

### 2018-2019 Sales Tax Comparison



## 131st and Mingo Intersection Update

ODOT opened bids on April 18th for the 131st and Mingo Signalization Project. The Transportation Commission awarded a \$1,439,272.30 contract to Tri-Star Construction Arkansas, LLC on May 6, 2019. The contract time is 180 days with a planned start time in mid-June. The Mingo intersections 111th, 121st and 131st were all funded in the 2011 bond package which provided matching dollars (25%) for federal construction grant dollars (75%). The intersections are being constructed in the order that the right of way acquisition has been obtained, thus 111th and Mingo was the first project completed. The matching dollars will yield around \$3 million in total of federal funds that do not have to burden Bixby taxpayers.

## Water Billing Notice

Beginning June 15, 2019, cutoff notices will no longer be mailed on past due water bill accounts. Water is subject to cutoff only for accounts that are two (2) months delinquent. All bills will continue to be due by the 15th of each month, but with our new automated reading system, customers will now receive their bill by the 25th of the month.