



Hamilton

HAMILTON CYCLING COMMITTEE (HCyC) MINUTES

Wednesday, January 11, 2012

5:30 p.m.

Room 192, 1st Floor

City Hall

71 Main Street West, Hamilton

Present: Chair: Andrea Kita
Vice-All: Marc Risdale (regrets)
Members: Sharon Gibbons Marisa Di Censo Bob Brown
Brian Chewter Pauline McKinley Brad Tyleman

**Absent with
Regrets:** Chris Hastings, Brad Stapleton, Bob Corsini, Walter Furlan, Roger
Tupper, Councillor McHattie

Also Present: Daryl Bender – PW staff
Jordan Fysh – visitor
Tyler Shepherd – visitor
Katherine Glowacz – Green Communities Canada

1. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA/INTRODUCTIONS

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

none

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

(Moved/Seconded)

3.1 HCyC meeting minutes, dated Nov 2, 2011 were approved. **CARRIED**

3.2 HCyC meeting minutes, dated Dec 7, 2011 were approved. **CARRIED**

4. CONSENT ITEMS

none

5. PRESENTATIONS

6. DISCUSSION ITEMS

6.1 Correspondence:

- The committee members anticipate a response from LRT staff regarding accommodations for cyclists, **Daryl to send an email to check on the status of this response.**
- **Andrea to modify a letter to explore additional bike parking accommodations at City Hall.**
- **Daryl to follow-up with questions raised by the HCyC on the issue of “chip & tar” rural road resurfacing.**
- The Office of the Chief Coroner (Ontario) has sent a letter stating that they expect their “Cycling Death Review” to be released this spring.

6.2 Special Projects:

- PanAm Velodrome – The members had a brief discussion of the current status of the velodrome.

6.3 Education

- Can-Bike – the HCyC expects an update on the planned schedule of Can-Bike classes offered this spring through the City Recreation section.
- The Ontario Public Health Association (OPHA) has now received a copy of the letter that was sent to the MTO re: cycling safety/education matters – as they had requested.
- Cycling safety advertizing – a subcommittee of volunteers (Pauline, Andrea, and Bob B.) was struck to create a plan for a safety education campaign in the city that would focus on billboard type messaging. The HCyC envisions this to be a campaign that focuses on the message “Share the Road... everywhere”.
- Katherine of Green Communities Canada described a campaign that was rolled-out in Halton last year for cycling safety on rural roads. This campaign may be pursued here in Hamilton and other Ontario municipalities – and the campaign here may include urban cycling too.
- It was suggested that additional organizations could possibly be included in either of the campaigns noted above to increase their success.

6.4 Promotion

- Tourism Award – the HCyC has been nominated for an award. **Bob B. will work with Daryl to finalize the required submission.**
- HCyC booth – The HCyC has all the materials they need for their booth at the Toronto International Bike Show. **Marc volunteered to arrange the schedule of members staffing the booth (March 2 - 4).**
- Website – Daryl presented suggested changes to the City cycling webpage and members provided feedback.

6.5 Budget

- Members were given forms to fill out and return for their 2012 access to the bike cage at City Hall.
- Cycling Capital account – no updates

6.6 Planning

- Members were reminded of the following studies: the Pedestrian Master Plan, Hwy 8 Greensville EA, and Waterdown Rd

6.7 Project Updates

- The plan for a new type of bike rack called a “Bike Corral”, to create bike parking in areas where demand exceeds what can be provided “behind the curb”, was described. Such a rack is being considered on John St. near King St.
- Brian provided an update on the positive meeting he had with Councillor Morelli about plans for bike lanes in Ward 3. The Councillor has asked for a meeting with staff to discuss the details for a Victoria Ave bike lane specifically.
- Fifty Rd is being considered for bike lanes from North Service Rd northerly to the lake. This request is with Councillor Johnson.

6.8 Maintenance

- Winter maintenance pilot of bike lanes. The plan for the assessment of this pilot was reviewed with the HCyC and they suggested edits for the planned survey through which the general public will provide feedback.

7. GENERAL INFORMATION & OTHER BUSINESS

- 7.1 Members agreed that there has been sufficient discussion of Idaho stops in the past few months so it can be removed from the agenda. Peter Topalovic of the City’s TDM office is to be invited to the next meeting to discuss bike cage locations, the bike share program, and the possibility of adding coin-operated bike lockers at City Hall.

8. ADJOURNMENT

(Moved/Seconded)

That, there being no further business, the meeting be adjourned at 7:30 p.m. and a few members had a brief demonstration of file sharing by Andrea.