



# Hamilton

## **HAMILTON CYCLING COMMITTEE (HCyC) MINUTES**

Wednesday, June 6, 2012

5:30 p.m.

Room 192, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor

City Hall

71 Main Street West, Hamilton

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**Present:** Chair: Andrea Kita  
Vice-All: Marc Risdale  
Members: Sharon Gibbons      Bob Corsini      Bob Brown  
                 Brian Chewter      Jordan Fysh      Brad Tyleman

**Absent with  
Regrets:** Chris Hastings, Brad Stapleton, Walter Furlan, Pauline McKinley, Marisa Di Censo, Roger Tupper, Tyler Shepherd

**Also Present:** Councillor McHattie – Councillor, Daryl Bender – PW staff

**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 May 2, 2012 were approved. **CARRIED**

**4. CONSENT ITEMS**

none

**5. PRESENTATIONS**

none

## 6. DISCUSSION ITEMS

### 6.1 Correspondence:

- Letters addressing LRT's connection to cycling were reviewed. **Andrea sending the letter to City staff, Daryl forwarding the letter addressed to Metrolinx to PWC for review.**

### 6.2 Special Projects:

- Bike Share program – City staff is investigating.
- Bike locker at City Hall – City staff have identified two possible locations for a bike locker – both adjacent to the City Hall parking lot. Of the two locations, the HCyC members stated that they prefer the location closer to the money machine kiosk. City staff are also getting more details about the locking mechanism.

### 6.3 Education

- **Can-Bike** – of the five cycling classes offered, only the Kids CAN-Bike classes had enough interest to proceed. The City will review the promotion, class content, and class locations as part of planning for 2013. Councillor McHattie plans to discuss with City Recreation staff. The cost of the classes was flagged as a possible deterrent during committee discussions and it was suggested that the City could post info on the web now to gather contact info from people interested in 2013 cycling education classes.
- **Share the Road campaign** – the campaign for 2012 included distribution of more car magnets, distribution of newly introduced stickers, ads on the side of seven HSR busses for four weeks, a new “postcard” to educate drivers and cyclists distributed through bike shops and CAA/MTO Service Ontario centres, and a media release which some media posted. **Bob B will contact Pauline and the two of them aim to draft an article for future publication in various Hamilton newspapers. Daryl to post the postcard on the HCyC website. Jordan collecting all related articles printed in Hamilton media.** Members were encouraged to get an image of the ad that ran on HSR busses.

### 6.4 Promotion

- **Bike-to-Work Day** was a success on Monday, May 28, 2012. Record turn out – 700 people registered, and 150 of them gathering at Gore Park – including some City Councillors. It was suggested that organizers could start the drawing of prize winners sooner.
- **HCyC info booth** – Info for the Steel City Bike Festival was circulated. The Clean Air Commute Transportation Fair is planned to be staffed by Sharon and Jordan. The Ancaster Farmers Market will be tentatively staffed by Marisa & Bob B on July 11, July 18, and Aug 1, and others are welcomed to help. No update about “Trails Open” nor “Burlington Bikefest” this year. The HCyC was not able to make final arrangements for bike parking at the 1812 re-enactment, and the other organization that was suggested to assist was not able to help out. OpenStreets planning is well underway and Jordan is taking the lead and asked the members for any ideas of an activity at the HCyC booth.

The HCyC had an info booth at “Bike for Mike”; and Jordan, Brian, and Bob C. will possibly volunteer at the follow-up “Mike’s Bikes” giveaway of bikes.

6.5 Budget

- Cycling Volunteer & Capital accounts – no updates

6.6 Planning

- Members were reminded of the following studies: Hwy 8 Greensville (Bob B followed up with a brief email and photos to City staff), Parkside Dr in Waterdown, the notice of the completion of the Waterdown Rd/Waterdown bypass EA was circulated, and the plan for bike lanes on Highland Rd was discussed as part of the ROPA9 EA (a meeting planned with Councillor Clark and the HCyC Chair is being rescheduled).

6.7 Project Updates

- Bike racks – Councillor McHattie put forward a motion at PWC to ensure bike racks are available at City facilities across the city. The bike corral on John St downtown has been implemented. Requests for bike racks were made for: Valley Inn Rd by the bridge and at the downtown police station.
- The plan for creating cycling facilities in both directions on Hwy 8 in Stoney Creek (between King St and Fruitland Rd) is continuing, with the design having cyclists expected to merge with curb-lane motor traffic through intersections or to dismount and cross intersections as pedestrians.
- Other infrastructure planned in 2012 includes Burlington St (at Ferguson), Victoria Ave (Barton to Ferrie), Woodward Ave (Brampton to Eastport), West 5<sup>th</sup> (Mohawk College entrance to Marlowe), Hunter St (two sections), and a few others in the works including the possibility of sharrows on Dundurn St between King and Main streets.

6.8 Maintenance

- With the warmer spring weather, the City has recently done a lot of repainting of existing bike lanes.

**7. GENERAL INFORMATION & OTHER BUSINESS**

7.1 The joint meeting of cycling committees of the west End of Lake Ontario was held May 12 in Welland. **Brad T, Bob C, and Daryl attended.** The Mayor of Welland attended and other municipalities attending were Mississauga, Haldimand, Burlington, and Niagara. The attendees were impressed to learn of the rides and meetings with ward Councillors which the HCyC arrange; 2000+ people attending an annual group ride in Mississauga; and in Haldimand, Hwy 6 is getting paved shoulders south of Jarvis and the Chippawa Trail near Caledonia is planned to be extended.

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

**(Moved/Seconded)**

That, there being no further business, the meeting be adjourned at 7:30 p.m.