



Hamilton

HAMILTON CYCLING COMMITTEE (HCyC) MINUTES

Wednesday, Oct 2, 2013

5:30 p.m.

Room 192, 1st Floor

City Hall

71 Main Street West, Hamilton

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

Absent with

Regrets: Roger Tupper, Bob Brown, Jordan Fysh

Also Present: Councillor McHattie, PW staff (Reesha Morar, Daryl Bender), Dan Botham, Ray West, Kevin Love, Bob Berberick

1. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA/INTRODUCTIONS

none

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

none

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

3.1 HCyC meeting minutes, dated Sept 4, 2013 were deferred

4. CONSENT ITEMS

none

5. PRESENTATIONS

none

6. DISCUSSION ITEMS

6.1 Correspondence

- **“More bike lanes needed” delegation to PWC** – Confirmed that the HCyC recommendation is mobility scooters should not be using bike lanes. The report is ready for Andrea’s signature.
- **Ward 2 Participatory Budget** – An email was sent to Councillor Farr supporting cycling infrastructure projects.
- **OPHA education project** – public health agencies across the province are working with the MTO to improve the education of drivers about cycling. They are creating more materials for driving school educators.

6.2 Updates from HCyC members on Various Committees

- **BikeShare** – Members were informed that the request for submissions has been sent out by the City for an operator of the planned bike share.
- **PATH** – a meeting of this new organization promoting “Active Transportation” in Hamilton is next week.
- **Artistic Bike Racks** – City Public Art staff have funding to pursue this project, about \$70,000.

6.3 Maintenance

- Staff were asked to investigate the condition of Crooks Hollow Rd.

6.4 Budget

- **MOTION: The HCyC approves the request for a proposed \$10,000 budget for 2014, including \$1000 from their reserve account. Moved/Seconded/CARRIED.**
- The committee is considering financial cooperation with Tourism Hamilton to print more of the “10 Route” cycling pamphlets.

6.5 Discussion

PWC presentation – The committee finalized their presentation, including adding data describing cycling ridership across Hamilton and merging the puzzle slides into one image.

Transit Only Lane – A one-year Transit Only Lane pilot project is planned to be implemented on King Street (downtown to Dundurn St). Cyclists are not planned to be permitted in the Transit Only Lane and encouraged to use parallel routes (Hunter Street, etc.). By-laws will enforce transit only usage. It was confirmed that cyclists would still be permitted to use the general purpose lanes, but they would be busier, thus less comfortable for cyclists.

Greenbelt Cycles – 80 km of this planned route is through Hamilton. It starts at the Niagara River (Queenston Heights) and continues to Rice Lake, past Oshawa. Route conditions are being reviewed. Paddy Greene Rd was noted as a route option. The route review includes affected Ward Councillors, the Hamilton Conservation Authority, and the Hamilton Cycling Committee.

6.6 Building the Bike Network

- **Upper Mt Albion/Old Mud** – This segment is being considered for bike lanes or signage.
- **Highland Rd** bike lanes – planned to be installed in 2014
- **Winterberry Dr** – determining which direction is more critical for a bike lane is required and the members suggested that the slope of the street be a consideration.
- **Cannon St** – Councillor McHattie has prepared a letter describing the project to engage the province as a potential funding source. The Provincial Cycling Strategy which was recently released aligns strongly with this planned Hamilton project.
- **Lift Bridge** – Councillor Collins has prepared a motion for Council in support of the plan for a seamless connection of a multiuse trail on the lift bridge.

6.7 Other Bicycle Infrastructure Projects:

- **Bike racks** – the old parking meters along the Transit Only Lane are planned to be converted into bike racks.

7. GENERAL INFORMATION & OTHER BUSINESS

Halton Region is creating an Active Transportation Plan.

8. ADJOURNMENT

(Moved/Seconded)

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