

HAMILTON CYCLING COMMITTEE (HCyC) MINUTES

Wednesday, May 1, 2019 5:45 p.m. Room 192, 1st Floor City Hall 71 Main Street West, Hamilton

Present:

Members:

Ann McKay Jeff Axisa Kate Berry Kevin Vander Meulen Chris Ritsma Cathy Sutherland

Cora Muis Joachim Brouwer Roman Caruk Jessica Merolli Sharon Gibbons William Oates Christine Yachouh Kevin Love

Council: Councillor Pauls

Absent with **Regrets:** Yaejin Kim, Linda Meerveld

Also Present: PED staff (Rachel Johnson, Gavin Hermanson), Joey Coleman, Ciaran Egan, Chris Parkinson, Frank Pravitz

Α. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR**

(Muis/Love)

Kevin Love elected as chair, Sharon Gibbons acclaimed vice chair.

CARRIED

1. **INTRODUCTIONS/ CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

Next month we will discuss the possibility of changing the meeting time.

(Oates/Caruk)

That the agenda for the May 1, 2019 meeting of Hamilton Cycling Committee be approved, as presented.

CARRIED

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

3.1 April 3, 2019

(Yachouh/McKay)

That the Minutes of the April 3, 2019 meeting of the Hamilton Cycling Committee be approved, as presented.

CARRIED

4. CONSENT ITEMS

None

5. **PRESENTATIONS**

5.1 Chris Parkinson, (Ward 3) Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board Trustee, Bernie Custis High School.

Mr. Parkinson gave a presentation to the committee about his goal of making the new Bernie Custis High School the best school to bike to.

6. DISCUSSION ITEMS

(i) Correspondence (Item 6.1)

Ministry of Education – The Committee sent a letter in regards to cycling education to the Ministry of Education in November 2018. A response was received in February; the Ministry mentioned that there are already active transport lessons in the curriculum, and that they are not looking to add anything new at this time.

Kevin Love volunteered to invite Jamie Stuckless from Share the Road to speak about cycling education.

(ii) Updates from HCyC representatives on committees (Item 6.2)

Cycle Hamilton – The Cycle Hamilton Annual General Meeting (AGM) was held April 25 at Merit Brewing on James St. N. The AGM was well attended.

Burlington Cycling Committee – Consultations continue with residents in rural areas. Ward rides have been taking place in Burlington.

(iii) Cannon Street resurfacing (Item 6.3)

Staff provided an update on the Cannon Street resurfacing project.

The Committee provided feedback on the project. Kevin suggested a subcommittee be formed to investigate and create a policy on temporary measures during construction.

(iv) Budget – Women's Cycling (Item 6.4)

Deferred to June meeting.

(v) Public Education/Events (Item 6.5)

Ontario By Bike – Business Engagement – Committee has been working on bicycle friendly business engagement with local businesses. Ann to report back next meeting. Dundas BIA interested in becoming a Bicycle Friendly BIA.

Jane's Trail of Two Cities – Bike ride taking place on May 5, it will depart from Hamilton and meet with Burlington riders in LaSalle Park and stopping at Sew Hungry on Ottawa Street. Designed to show people how to cycle around the bay as easily as possible.

Bike Day May 27 & Bike Month in June – Bike to Work Day will be renamed "Bike Day" to be more inclusive and encourage people to come who are not necessarily commuting solely to work in the morning. The day will take place with morning activities at City Hall. The day will also serve as the official launch for Bike Month, which takes place in June.

Afghan Cycles (June 13) – The HCyC is hosting a screening of the documentary Afghan Cycles as well as a panel discussion highlighting local women and their experiences cycling following the film.

Report back on Ontario Bike Summit

Roman Caruk and Jessica Merolli attended the Ontario Bike Summit on behalf of the HCyC. They noted that themes from this years' summit included road rage, inclusivity for all ages and abilities. There was a particular focus on electric pedal-assisted bicycles and new models of bike share.

(vi) Other Bicycle Infrastructure Projects (Item 6.6)

Mohawk Road, Ancaster – Deferred until next meeting.

York Boulevard – Deferred until next meeting.

7. NOTICES OF MOTION

7.1 That City Council to consider all new housing developments to have safer cycling infrastructure.

7.2 That street festivals include bike valet through the permitting process.

9. GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS

Hamilton Cycling Club members are interested in coming in to present to the committee in the future.

10. ADJOURNMENT

(Caruk/Muis)

That, there being no further business, the meeting be adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

CARRIED