



**MINUTES OF THE
ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

June 27, 2023

Minutes of the Active Transportation Committee meeting held on
Tuesday June 27, 2023 in the Esquering Room, 1 Halton Hills Drive and via Zoom

Members Present: Councillor J. Fogal, Chair, Councillor A. Hilson, A. Sommer, R.
(EP – Electronic Hendry, N. Barros (EP), B. Mandarino, C. Patten (EP), J.
Participation) Dougherty, C. Lenz (EP)

Regrets: E. Devries

Staff Present: I. Drewnitski, Transportation Planning Technologist (E), M.
(E – Electronically Taylor, Senior Landscape Architect (E), K. Okimi, Director of
Present) Parks and Open Space (E), M. Lawr, Deputy Clerk - Legislation

1. CALL TO ORDER

Councillor J. Fogal, Chair called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY/CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of pecuniary or conflict of interest.

3. RECEIPT OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Recommendation No. ACT-2023-0004

THAT the Minutes of the Active Transportation Committee Meeting held on April 25, 2023 be received.

CARRIED

4. SCHEDULED ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Item Nos. 4.e to 4.h were discussed first.

a. Presentation from Safe Streets Halton

I. Drewnitski introduced Nick Morrison from Safe Streets Halton.

N. Morrison provided a presentation to the Committee outlining the organization Safe Streets Halton by providing the core values and vision and examples of recent activities and both current and future projects.

(Presentation on file with the Clerk's office)

N. Morrison advised the Committee that Safe Streets Halton began in April of last year and there are currently 29 volunteers between Burlington, Milton and Oakville.

Councillor J. Fogal inquired about the recruitment of volunteers to represent Halton Hills. N. Morrison noted that there has been outreach online and Safe Streets Halton is currently looking for more in person opportunities for recruitment. Councillor J. Fogal suggested members of Safe Streets Halton attend the Tour of the Hills Event.

More information on Safe Streets Halton can be found at <https://www.safestreetshalton.ca>

b. 2024 Capital Projects: New

K. Okimi and M. Taylor provided information on the following projects:

- Hungry Hollow Management Plan Update
- Silver Creek Trail Feasibility Study

The Committee discussed the idea of prioritizing the Hungry Hollow Management Plan Update project and the Silver Creek Trail Feasibility Study project in case one needs to be deferred. The Committee agreed that both projects should be pushed to be started at the same time as they are both beneficial.

- Trails Development (Fairly Lake Phase 2)

K. Okimi advised that this project is being deferred to a later year to have further public consultation.

- Trails Development (Trafalgar Sports Park Phase 2)

K. Okimi advised that this project is being deferred to a later year based on development in the area.

- Trails Development (Upper Canada College Phase 2)

K. Okimi advised that this project is being deferred while construction is underway.

- Trails Development (Glen South)

K. Okimi advised that this project will be a Bruce Trail style connection and a staff recommendation will be included in the preliminary budget submission. M. Taylor advised that public consultation would occur.

c. 2024 Capital Projects: Revitalization of Existing

K. Okimi and M. Taylor advised that this project is an enhancement of existing trails and asked the Committee for input on any other major areas needing repair or for comments on potential projects.

A. Sommer noted that the Delrex Boulevard to Cedarvale Park area is a potential project idea. R. Hendry asked staff to clarify what type of trail they would recommend. M. Taylor advised it would be a limestone screening.

Councillor J. Fogal noted that the steep area in the new part of the Hungry Hollow trails should be considered. K. Okimi advised that the Main Street EA is being done which could lead to an efficient time to do grading in that area.

J. Dougherty inquired about the Glen Lawson Master Plan. M. Taylor advised that there is no update currently.

d. Status Update on Ongoing Capital Projects

M. Taylor provided information and photos on the following ongoing capital projects:

- Birchway Place Trail connecting Birchway Place to Acton Legion with overlook – completed
- TSP to Black Creek Estates Trail – completed
- Upper Canada College (UCC) Trail – currently under construction and estimated completion time is August

The Committee asked staff to look into posting trail photos on the Town's website to promote the various trails.

e. Engineering Update

I. Drewnitski provided an update on the following projects:

- Maple Avenue – completed
- Guelph/Sinclair intersection – Will be doing a small unveiling for the Town's first bike signal. I. Drewnitski will share the unveiling date with the committee once it is confirmed.
- Mountainview Road (Maple to John) – resurfacing almost completed, removing median and asphalt is being added on the west side
- Sargent Road – in progress
- Todd Road resurfacing – deferred to next year
- 10th Sideroad – under construction
- Sixth line resurfacing – under construction
- Halton Hills drive – fully open with bike lanes and multi use paths

f. Education Update

I. Drewnitski advised that staff are working to have Share the Road signs on 15 Side Road and that staff have been distributing Share the Road magnets for vehicles throughout Bike Month.

I. Drewnitski advised that 2 educational workshops were held during Bike Month and that a report on attendance will be brought forward to the Committee next meeting.

g. Encouragement Update

I. Drewnitski advised that the cycling map has been printed and posted online.

I. Drewnitski advised that the Town has been hosting events throughout Bike Month such as Bike to School week, Pop Up events at trails throughout Acton and Georgetown to hand out cycling maps and promote the Bike Month Scavenger Hunt. The Scavenger Hunt has had 204 submissions to date and is continuing to be promoted through the Town's social channels.

h. Evaluation & Planning Update

I. Drewnitski advised that Public Works staff will be installing a new bike repair station by the end of summer. Staff will continue to monitor bike repair stations for necessary maintenance.

5. WORKING GROUPS

a. Bike It

Councillor J. Fogal provided Bike It's updates on the following events:

- Cycling map – Printed copies have been distributed
- Used Bike Swap – Event was successful, 60 bikes were sold and \$2450 was raised for the Georgetown Breadbasket and Acton Food Share
- Pop up Event – Was held on May 13th at the Gooderham Parkette and promoted the app What 3 Words
- Bike it to the Market – Was held on June 17th where 187 bikes were parked during the event. The Town ran activities as well through the Hey Neighbor program
- Loop Rides – These rides will be run to help cyclists train for the Tour the Hills event in September

6. ITEMS TO BE SCHEDULED FOR NEXT MEETING

Active Transportation Advisory Committee Terms of Reference

Next meeting to be held on September 26, 2023 in a hybrid format.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:44 p.m.