



**MINUTES OF THE
ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

January 30, 2024

Minutes of the Active Transportation Committee meeting held on Tuesday January 30, 2024 in the Esquering Room, 1 Halton Hills Drive and via Zoom

Members Present: Councillor J. Fogal, Chair, Councillor A. Hilson, A. Sommer, N. Barros, C. Lenz (EP)(Arrive at 7:45 p.m.), R. Hendry (EP), B. Mandarino, J. Dougherty (EP)
(EP – Electronic Participation)

Regrets: C. Patten, G. Price-Jones

Staff Present: I. Drewnitski, Transportation Planning Technologist, M. Taylor, Senior Landscape Architect, M. Lawr, Deputy Clerk - Legislation Present)
(E – Electronically Present)

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-2024-001

THAT the Minutes of the Active Transportation Committee Meeting held on November 28, 2023 be received.

CARRIED

4. SCHEDULED ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Item No. 4.b was discussed prior to 4.a.

a. 2024 Transportation & Public Works projects

I. Drewnitski presented the following 2024 Transportation & Public Works projects:

- Pedestrian Crossovers – will be implemented at the following locations:
 - Barber Drive and Woodcote Crescent – Installation of Pedestrian Crossover Level 2 B (Signals, Signs and Pavement Markings)
 - River Drive and John Street – Installation of Pedestrian Crossover Level 2 B (Signs and Pavement Markings)
 - Meadowglen Boulevard & Herb Wild Street – Installation of Pedestrian Crossover Level 2 B (Signs and Pavement Markings)
 - McNally Street and Grist Mill Street – Installation of Pedestrian Crossover Level 2 D (Signs and Pavement Markings)
- Smart Commute Program – The Town will continue to be involved with the Smart Commute Program to help local public and private employers and commuters explore different commuting options such as carpooling, telecommuting, cycling, walking and transit. The program helps to reduce single occupant vehicle trips travelling during peak traffic conditions and help improve local air quality.

In relation to the Smart Commute Program, the Committee also discussed the public transportation route along Steeles which has seen an increase in ridership since its implementation.

- Bike Month 2024 – The Town will be promoting and participating in Bike Month again this June. I. Drewnitski advised that he will be working with Cycling Toronto for this initiative and will be hosting the Cycling Scavenger Hunt after the success of the event last year.
- Mobility Master Plan – The Town will be developing a Mobility Master Plan that builds on the previous 2011 Transportation Master Plan. The consultant team will collect and analyze information to develop current and future transportation needs. The development of the Mobility Master Plan will position Halton Hills for the next phase of community building to a planning horizon year of 2051, which for transportation planning principles is to provide travel choices as alternatives to the car, reclaiming the road space for other modes, and to establish a “pedestrian-first” decision-making

framework. I. Drewnitski will continue to bring information to the Committee on this initiative as the project moves forward.

J. Dougherty inquired about any bike lane projects for 2024. I. Drewnitski advised that there are none scheduled for this year.

b. 2024 Recreation & Parks projects

M. Taylor presented the following 2024 Recreation & Parks projects:

- Cedarvale Park trail upgrades:
 - Maple Avenue to Artisans Cottage upgraded was completed late 2023
 - Delrex Boulevard to park connection will be converted to limestone screenings in spring 2024
- Hungry Hollow Management Plan 20-year update – An update to the management plan will be done with a target completion of fall 2023. This update will include determining scope, direction and requirements for the Management Plan. The main objective is to build on the 10-year update and to review trails and areas for improvements as well as reviewing current and potential access ways. M. Taylor will keep the Committee updated and Council will be consulted to determine scope.
- Hungry Hollow Mountainview Road access – An evaluation of the trail access on the southwest side on Mountainview Road will be completed, to assess if the access should be removed or kept. The creation of a new access point on the northeast side of Mountainview Road and re-paving of the existing access will be completed for fall 2024. The Committee noted that they are in favor of keeping the southwest side access point. M. Taylor advised that public consultation will be completed regarding this access point.
- Silver Creek Trail Feasibility Study – A review of the feasibility of the Trail through the area of Silver Creek valley will be completed by the end of 2024, which will include a study on the ecology of the area.
- Glen Lawson Land Masterplan – This masterplan plan will determine the scope, direction and activities for the Glen Lawson Lands which will include an ecological review and public consultation. The target completion is by the end of 2025. M. Taylor advised that areas of sensitivity will be looked at, as well as options for parking. Council will be consulted to determine scope.
- Trail Development: Glen South (Meadows in the Glen Subdivision) – This trail development construction will be a Bruce Trail style footpath connecting to the Credit Valley Footpath and Meadows in the Glen Subdivision. Completion is anticipated by the end of 2024.

J. Dougherty asked about updates on the extension of Fairy Lake Trail. M. Taylor advised that Phase 2 will be looked at in 2025. There is currently a Fairy Lake Water Quality study being held which will include looking at the trails around the lake.

5. WORKING GROUPS

a. Bike It

Councillor J. Fogal presented some of the events planned for 2024 and advised that a full Event Work Plan will be presented at the next meeting. The following events were discussed:

- Halton Hills Community Cycling Forum – to be held on March 20th at 6:30 p.m. in the Alcott Room at Mold Masters Arena. Town staff will be involved in the promotion of the event.
- Bike Swap – to be held on April 27th at the Public Works yard during the Earth Week event.
- Bike it to the Market – to be held on June 15th downtown Georgetown during the Farmer’s Market

6. ITEMS TO BE SCHEDULED FOR NEXT MEETING

Bike It Working Group – 2024 Event Program

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:39 p.m.