

BikeBrampton minutes

May 18, 2022 – 6:30pm – 8:30pm

ZOOM Video Conference call

Meeting Started: 6:30pm – Indigenous Land acknowledgement.

BikeBrampton is celebrating our 9th anniversary this month!

Review & approve minutes [April minutes](#) – approved

Brampton City Update:

1. **National Pedal Poll** - Weekday count is **Tues June 7th** and weekend count is **Sat June 11th**. Sign up for a 2-hour timeslot so Nelson can schedule volunteers for each of our 10 locations: volunteersignup.org/WXQRT If you participated last year, you may have received an email from Velo Canada Bikes. After you have signed up, please [register](#) with Velo Canada Bikes so you receive training information and your ID number. **Download the app** from Apple or Google Store: counterpointapp.org on your smart phone. Alternatively, you can print off paper copies from their website. You will be fully trained and supported the day(s) of the count. The date will be altered if weather is poor. As many have said, data is king! Brampton is honoured to have been selected.
2. **Brampton Community Ride Program** – Lisa – [Volunteer position availability](#), contact [Lisa](#) – 5km routes need volunteers! You need to register to get the snack at the end of the ride! [Registration Link](#) Pick up promotional postcards from the tourism office at city hall or at the bike cage and hand them out to friends, strangers, and businesses! First ride will be May 29th. We will have walkie talkies for volunteers and a ride-along app called “Ride with GPS” that you can download to provide audio to the group.
3. [Earth Day Environmental Festival Bike Tour](#) – Apr 23rd occurred at Norton Place Park. Great attendance and opportunity to load bike on Brampton transit bus bike rack. Several groups cycled in from different locations to join the event, despite cold rainy day.
4. **Brampton Plan and Integrated Downtown Plan** - Brampton is planning its future! There will be open houses for Brampton’s overarching plan online tomorrow May 18th at 1pm, virtually/in-person, Mon May 30th at 7pm and a direct comment page. Read the plan, fill out the comment page or sign up for the meetings here: <https://www.brampton.ca/EN/City-Hall/Official-Plan/Pages/Welcome.aspx> Downtown has its own surveys! Advocate for cycling infrastructure

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downtown and fill out the today and tomorrow survey by May 24th:

<https://www.brampton.ca/EN/City-Hall/DowntownBrampton/Pages/Integrated-Downtown-Plan.aspx>

Regional Update:

1. **Bike the Creek** – David & Dayle [delegated](#) to Council April 27th. – **Actions:** Need volunteers:
 - a. Sign up or buy jerseys here (store closes the 21st): <https://trca.ca/conservation/watershed-management/etobicoke-mimicocreek/bike-the-creek/> Pick up promotional postcards from the tourism office at city hall or at the bike cage and hand them out to friends, strangers and businesses!
 - b. **Group assistance to touch up route stencils** – Here’s a volunteer [doodle poll](#) to see which dates work for volunteers.
 - c. **Group assistance to sort & install directional signage** - June 15th 9:00am-12:00pm to sort signs at 33 Stafford Dr. Jun 17th 8:30am – 4:30pm at Jim Archdekin for a day of installation. Contact [Nelson](#) to let him know you are coming.
 - d. Lead dignitary rides (shorter & longer one) – Lisa, Steve volunteered
 - e. Day of Event volunteers – BikeBrampton/BCAC display booth at Jim Archdekin
 - f. Bike Rodeo volunteers (9:00am – 12:00pm)
 - g. Identify sponsors [sponsorship package](#)
 - h. Social media postings – early and often!
 - i. Tyron to ask Nelson about stations for Bike the Creek, including Parr Lake on Pauline’s behalf
2. **CCP Brampton & Caledon Bike Hubs** The schedule for the BikeWrx pop-ups are now available: [Brampton](#) has 23, [Caledon](#) has 7. Additionally, returning to in-person is being assessed as per COVID restrictions. The schedule there could potentially be bi-weekly. Action: contact sonia@bikebrampton.ca if you can volunteer to help construct work benches. BikeWrx session at Bramalea Secondary School on July 1st needs volunteers to help fix bikes from 2:15 to 5:30pm.
3. **Different Spokes – Downtown Brampton Bike Hub** – Sonia is operating from Room 109 at 50 Sunny Meadow, at PCHS. The downtown hub should be open this summer, lease already signed and given to city. We will need tools and furniture and volunteers to construct. Please contact Sonia if you can help in any way.

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BikeBrampton Projects:

1. **NE Sunday morning rides** – suspended to make way for Brampton Community Rides.
 2. **Bike Parking** – Create a social media strategy with some of the good and bad- showcasing who does/doesn't provide bike parking
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Caledon Update

1. Bikes routes have been approved for the trails and on roads!
 2. Washrooms have been added along the trail
 3. 3 more bike repair stands to be added
 4. New business renting out e-bikes by Cheltenham at www.caledonebikes.ca
 5. Plans started for their multi-modal plan – provide your inputs through the following link:
<https://calendar.caledon.ca/default/Detail/2022-05-12-1800-Multi-Modal-Transportation-Master-Plan>
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Referred Matters List

1. **[BCAC Delegation to Regional Council](#)** –**Action:** David to invite Senior ROP Staff and Regional Councillors to cycle this infrastructure (in a safe, controlled manner that educates without scaring, and displays positive changes as well as areas for improvement).
 2. **[Future Ground Network](#)** – BikeBrampton has joined this grass roots not-for-profit organization that builds cooperatively on everyone's strengths. "supporting local action for a sustainable future". FGN is a "hub of groups taking action in their communities to secure healthier, more viable futures in the areas of climate justice, biodiversity, waste reduction and sustainable systems. Joining the network means connecting with organizers from other groups to share best practices, find inspiration and work together to achieve common goals. Network members will gain access to free training and digital tools to help mobilize their communities and amplify their voices." They offered us a free welcome session to discuss our needs, since we have a quorum of 3. **Action:** Additional BikeBrampton members are encouraged to sign up for this valuable resource.
 3. **Bike-a-thon** – Anu Sharma, PCHS Chair and President approached us re PCHS bike-a-thon activity for next year – **Action:** Sonia to contact Ms. Sharma to see if there is still interest for an event.
 4. **BikeBrampton Introduction Video** – it was suggested that David's introduction to the BikeBrampton background be captured on a short video clip that can be posted on our website.
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- 5. Trail signage** – trails have been audited for signage. – Esker, Chinguacousy, Don Doan – some sign installation along Esker Lake Trail – incomplete – **Action:** bring forward to future meeting
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Events

- 1. [Critical Mass Rides](#)**, last Fri of every month
Check [BikeBrampton webpage](#) for information to this casual unstructured ride. Group rides limited to current COVID-19 standards. Cyclists who wish to ride solo may do so.
 - 2. [Bike the Creek](#)**
June 18th 2022. Check the [website](#). Registration is open. See above for BtC jersey sale information!
 - 3. Brampton Bike Hub BikeWrx Pop-ups**
Check the [schedule](#)
 - 4. Caledon Bike Hub BikeWrx Pop-ups**
Check the [schedule](#)
 - 5. [Brampton Community Rides](#)**
Season opens with first ride, Sun May 29th, 1:30pm. You need to register to get the snack at the end of the ride! [Registration Link](#) See above for volunteer info.
 - 6. Velocity Charity Ride, Caledon**
Velocity will be held on July 1st, run by Caledon Community Services. It will start at Town Hall and feature a family ride on Caledon Trailway, and 50 & 100km loops.
 - 7. Ontario Senior Games Association – 55+ Ride**
George planning a 55+ ride event with OSGA, including a 5 km and 10 km event (with some fun rules), out of Brampton Flower City campus • Info about the event - <https://osga55plus.ca/wpcontent/uploads/2021/04/Cycling.pdf> Register here: <https://osga55plus.ca/register/>
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Next meeting Wed June 15th 6:30 – 8:30pm Meeting adjourned 8:22p.m.