

BikeBrampton Meeting Minutes

Wednesday November 22, 2023 – 6:30pm – 8:30 pm Virtual Meeting

Attendees: Ewa, Steve, Heidi, Dayle, David, George, Gary B., John vW.

Regrets: Wayne, Lisa, Nelson, Cindy

Meeting started: 6:32pm

Review & approve minutes from last meeting

Indigenous Land Acknowledgment

[October Meeting Minutes](#)

Steve moved to approve.

Brampton City Update

1. Discussion re Bike the Creek Planning Meeting

- a. Participants
 - i. City of Brampton, Town of Caledon, BikeBrampton, Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, City of Mississauga
- b. Date: June 8th, 2024
- c. Theme: Tenth anniversary of Bike the Creek plus the 50th anniversary of the founding of the three municipalities. How has cycling changed over the past 50 years? **Cycling Through History 10 / 50**
- d. Ideas for making the event special
 - i. Big cake in shape of bike
- e. Subcommittee working groups established

2. Bike Lane update –

- a. Concrete barriers & green metal posts being installed on the east side of Hanover,
- b. Steve reported he attended Mayor Brown’s Town Hall,
 - i. Mayor Brown brought up the importance of OBRY to the ATMP network
 - ii. There were four questions about traffic calming

3. Active Transportation Advisory Committee (ATAC) – Steve

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- a. Report on presentation of Streetlight data. Everyone agrees it is a game changer for taking emotion and anecdotes out of decision-making.
 - b. Discussed complete street presentation.
 - c. Discussed [Barry's video](#) and Dayle's [Charlolais Bike Lanes blog post](#) where examples of this data were presented at Ward 3,4 Townhall
4. **Meeting with Commissioner of Community Services –**
- a. David indicated a meeting with Commissioner Boyes is scheduled for the following week,
 - b. Discussion points
 - i. Incorporate cycling education facilities in the design of new and refurbished recreation centres
 - ii. Coordinate cycling training with PRP Safety Village and Brampton Bike Hub
5. **Meeting with Commissioner Ganesh**
- a. Dayle, Lisa, Steve and David attended,
 - b. Recommended changes to the process that will involve ATAC, staff and Council for any proposed changes to ATMP going forward.

Regional Update

- 1. **[Different Spokes](#) – Downtown Brampton Bike Hub –**
 - a. Interim report submitted to Region of Peel
 - b. Community Benefits report completed.
 - c. Halloween and Diwali Glo Rides on Oct 28 and Nov 11 respectively. [See Diwali Glow Rides blog post for details.](#)
 - d. Sonia indicated Gerald will be leading some workshops in 2024,
 - e. **Different Spokes will be closed for the month of December reopening Jan 8th.**
 - f. **Different Spokes party on Nov 18th to recognize volunteers and celebrate first anniversary.** More than 40 people attended the celebration representing a kaleidoscope of faiths, cultures, ages and communities.

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BikeBrampton Projects

1. Bike Parking Update –

- a. Steve reported he is continuing to connect with three retail locations for better bike parking and will be going to the President of CAA regarding the lack of parking at the CAA centre.
 - b. Steve reported a new hotel at 5 Rutherford Rd. S. for assisted living has 22 bike parking spaces, good quality racks near the front door!
 - c. Bike racks removed from the front of the Bramalea medical school, (old Bramalea Civic Centre). Steve trying to find out if they are being replaced.
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BEA Projects

1. David reported the BEA Graceful Aging Through Connecting with Nature project is complete.
 2. David reported that the BEA United Way grant for the TRCA Health and Connected Bramalea Project is also complete.
 3. David reported the BEA is raising concern about the proposed expansion of the gas powerplant on Goreway Drive.
 - a. The forecasted carbon emissions increase would preclude the City of Brampton from meeting its emission reduction targets.
 - b. Brampton Council so far has not voted whether or not to support the expansion.
 - c. Information provided to Council by staff may not provide an accurate picture. David has requested a meeting with Brampton staff to discuss the issue.
 - d. Other municipalities including Kingston and Hamilton have voted against gas plant expansion in their communities.
 - e. David will write a blog post.
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Caledon Update

1. Wayne

- a. Caledon Trailway closed at Olde Base due to bridge reconstruction crossing the Caledon Golf Club driveway,
 - b. Detour via Chinguacousy Rd.
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- c. George reported that Caledon has hired a consultant to produce report for building the OBRY rail trail.
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EVENTS:

Different Spokes Rides & Workshops

BikeWrx Workshops, Different Spokes: [Registration to attend free events](#)
Winter workshop series begin Jan 11th.

[Bike the Creek](#)

Save the date for 10th anniversary: June 8, 2024 [2023 blog post](#)

Adjourn

Next meeting Dec 20, 2023 – 6:30-8:00pm
