

BikeBrampton Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, April 16, 2025 – 6:30pm – 8:00 pm Virtual Meeting

Attendees: Sonia Maset, Steve Laidlaw, David Laing, Dayle Laing, Ewa Milewska, Wayne Noble, Cindy Evans, George Shepperdley

Meeting started: 6:30pm

Review & approve minutes from last meeting	Indigenous Land Acknowledgment March Meeting Minutes - Steve moved to approve minutes. Passed
Preamble Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mississauga Bike Fest May 10th, BikeBrampton will not host a table at the event.• Issue with the Ontario by Bike, Bike Friendly Business Award has been resolved. Different Spokes will still receive the award as long as Caledon services are emphasized.• Discussed TRCA, Healthy and Connected Bramalea project, Cindy will discuss a joint submission with Brampton Bike Hub and Brampton Environmental Alliance
Brampton City Update	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Discussed e-bike show, Mississauga participated, and Steve attended. appears we made the right decision for Brampton not to participate. Show audience is different from our major market with focus being on sale of e-bikes.2. ATAC workplan review - Steve reported city workplan for 2025 is as follows:<ol style="list-style-type: none">a. Install 9 PXOsb. Reapply green paint where it has worn offc. Install MUPs on Williams Pkwy, Goreway & Countryside sectionsd. Staff review of options to remove bike lane on Howden and replace with in boulevard MUP. Looking at cost and functional limitations such as utility relocation and tree removals.

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3. Bike Basics Course – Dayle reported that the City of Brampton will be offering free bike basics courses this summer. Details to follow.
4. Bikefest – May 24th at Ching Park, details to follow. Community ride will run from that event as well.
5. Community Ride program- Dayle asked for additional volunteers to lead, marshall and sweep the community rides. Plenty of open positions available. Contact Dayle Laing for details.
6. Different Spokes – Sonia indicated she and Bidhan will be managing storefront programming.
 - a. Sonia and Bidhan are now PCHS staff
 - b. Different Spokes lease officially expires end of June, then month to month. Sonia is developing contingency plans for alternative site locations.
 - c. DS received donation of bikes from Church of the Latter-Day Saints. Really good quality mountain bikes with accessories.
7. Sonia to speak to Peter at Ontario by Bike to organize logistics for the Tour in Sept. Contact Tyron to see about overnight parking
8. Sonia will be taking Pathfinders for a ride along Caledon Trailway May 10th.

Regional Update

1. Region announced resurrection of bike rack for schools program. School pays only for installation costs which is a barrier. Contact, Jennifer Andrade.
2. CAA is funding bike racks for businesses through Brampton Bike Friendly Business program.

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1. Bike the Creek – David reported routes are being finalized
2. Bill 212 Charter Challenge – Court provided a temporary injunction while judge reviews merits of charter challenge
3. Steve indicated Toronto Council has requested a staff report looking at causes of congestion related to construction vs. bike lanes
4. Dayle reported BikeBrampton has been invited to attend **Rose Orchestra** evening on April 26th

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5. Dayle, David and Polly are planning to attend George's induction into **Brampton Sports Hall of Fame**, May 6th.
6. **Brampton Orangeville Rail Trail** – David asked George to make a presentation to the Credit Valley Trail Association to see about combining forces with BORT to develop more momentum to get the trail built in Brampton. BORT provides an opportunity to use already purchased land for the CVT property near the Credit River is mostly private. **David will invite George to attend the next CVT meeting.**

BEA Projects

1. David indicated he is presenting to **Heart Lake Secondary School** assembly April 23rd.
2. David indicated ~ 30 people attended the **BEA AGM** on March 19th and six new Board members were elected.

Caledon Update

1. Wayne reported
 - a. Sabrina Davidson has left her active transportation planning position at the Town
 - b. 2 new commissioners being hired
 - c. Currently repairing storm erosion damage on Caledon Trailway, Recommend stay off until trail dries and hardens in a few weeks, especially if riding on skinny tires.
 - d. Mountainview will receive a quick shave and pave project this summer
 - e. Blue bridge repairs scheduled to start soon
 - f. Problems with falling concrete chunks along trail at Hwy 9 overpass, looks like repairs will start soon which may affect accessibility.
 2. Wayne said he recently has been doing more riding in Brampton and noted bicycle infrastructure improvements. There is tourism potential tying Caledon and Brampton together.
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EVENTS:

1. [Ontario Bike Summit](#) – May 27-30th, Windsor, Share the Road Cycling Coalition – Canada’s largest cycling and active transportation conference
2. [Bike the Creek](#) –June 7, 2025. Registration open!

[Different Spokes](#) Rides & Workshops

BikeWrx Workshops & Rides, Different Spokes: [Registration to attend events](#)

Adjourned 8:00-pm.

Next meeting May 21st, 2025 – 6:30-8:00pm.