

Pelham Active Transportation Committee

Minutes

Tuesday October 17, 2017, 6:00 p.m.

Location: Town Hall

1. **Attendance:** Bea Clark (Chair), Lisa Gallant, Bob Fish, Bill Gibson (recorder), John Swart, Councillor Catherine King, Councillor Brian Baty. Staff: Tolga Aydin.

2. **Call to Order and Declaration of Quorum**

Declaring that a quorum was present, Chair Clark called the meeting to order

3. **Adoption of Agenda**

No new agenda items

Moved by: Councillor Baty

Seconded by: L. Gallant

THAT the agenda for the September 19, 2017 meeting be adopted.

Carried

4. **Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof**

None.

5. **Minutes Approval – September 19, 2017**

Moved by: B. Fish

Seconded by: J. Swart

THAT the Minutes of the PATC meeting of September 19, 2017 be approved.

Carried

6. **Business Arising from Minutes – September 19, 2017**

6.1 **Bike Friendly map update**

Aiming to finalize the map for next spring (2018). Discussions centered on technical issues related to the map – size, colour of lines, street names ordination on the map, type of paper to be used.

Action:

Councillor Baty to meet with TOP staff to discuss enhancements to the map and will present a new draft at the November 2017 meeting.

6.2 **Opening of Gerry Berkhout Trail**

The trail is scheduled for completion by spring 2018. Gerry Berkhout has been notified. No further action required until the date of opening has been set.

6.3 **Welland AT Committee follow-up**

PATC members Bill, Bea, Lisa and Joe met with Welland AT Committee representatives at Pelham Town Hall on September 27. The WATC formed 6 months ago and has similar goals. Four areas or

linkages of common interest were identified: 1) the Steve Bauer Trail connection at Quaker Road, 2) the potential connection with the Berkhout Trail and Pelham Street/Weber Road, 3) pedestrian/cyclist safety on Rice Road and 4) pedestrian/cyclist safety on Quaker Road. The committees agreed to meet yearly and communicate as necessary to discuss common interests, initiatives and external resources.

6.4 PATC Volunteer opportunities

Bea and Lisa presented a draft chart that outlines the volunteers the committee is seeking, and associated duties, skills. Members suggested additions and enhancements.

Action:

- Bea will revise the draft Chart, discuss the draft with TOP staff and report back to the committee at the next meeting.

6.5 ATMP Implementation and Budget update

TOP staff indicated that ATMP implementation has been included in 2018 budget development, including signage and counters.

Action:

- Request for Town staff to report on budget for 2018 at November meeting
- Request to make ATMP an official part of the Town's Official Plan via an amendment

6.6 Bruce Trail Club follow-up

No news to report.

Action:

- Tolga will contact Joe regarding improper "filling" by resident.

6.7 Meeting with Communications staff

No news to report.

6.8 Port Robinson Ferry update

Bea reported that the members of the Region's Public Works Committee voted unanimously to include the 10-year allocation for funding of the Port Robinson ferry in the draft budget for 2018-2019. Further discussion regarding the growth of cycling during the last five years, the support for promotion of the "two routes" within the Greater Niagara Circle Route and other potential enhancements ensued.

6.9 Bicycle Friendly Community –review of feedback

John presented the revised document for review and discussion by PATC. It was agreed that this document will be revisited for currency and enhancement at each PATC meeting, with discussion set at 15 minutes. Members discussed Section 1: Engineering, items 1.1 to 1.5. With respect to training, members questioned how related staff training and participation in professional development is identified and tracked. Catherine agreed to follow up on this.

Lisa identified that some communities have expressed concerns that the template and criteria used by Share the Road is very "urban centered" and she has shared this feedback with Share the Road.

Action:

- Catherine agreed to explore how training needs and training experiences are tracked by TOP staff and will report back to PATC in November.

6.10 ON Commuter Cycling program funding application

Tolga provided details about Pelham's submission and request for funding.

6.11 Update re Crosswalk downtown Fonthill

Possible solutions are still under discussion.

6.12 Traffic Calming Issues

Councillor King identified some of the draft initiatives under consideration. Members expressed an interest in better understanding traffic calming issues and solutions.

Action:

Bea will request a presentation from TOP staff at an upcoming PATC meeting.

7. Committee Events and Reports

7.1 Summerfest Committee

Bill provided an overview of the 2017 event and suggested enhancements for next year's Pelham Summerfest.

7.2 Senior's Advisory Committee

John indicated that he will no longer be the PATC representative on this committee. Bea thanked John for his service on PSAC.

Action:

Bea will discuss the PATC's representation on the committee with the PSAC Chair, G. Hilyer and report back.

7.2.1 Church Hill rest chairs

A free-standing chair design has been approved by TOP staff. Three chairs will be constructed this winter for spring installation.

7.3 School Travel Planning

Lisa reported that the principals of G.A. Green and A. K. Wigg schools are both supportive. Planning of future school events are underway and students are involved in these discussions.

7.4 Pelham Slow Roll debrief

Members discussed the overall success and participant levels of the events, starting from different points within the community, the difficulty of some participants transporting their bikes to the

different start points and enhancements for next year (fixed week night, routes starting at the same point, forming a sub group within PATC to run the event)

John indicated that he will not coordinate the Slow Roll next year. The PATC agreed to continue the Slow Role in 2018.

Action:

- Bea will discuss the coordination of the Slow Roll with TOP staff and report back.

8. New Business

8.1 2018 Budget

Members indicated that PATC budget priorities include ATMP implementation, traffic calming initiatives, as well as modest printing and supplies to support PATC activities.

8.2 Vision Zero Conference

Lisa provided an overview of a presentation she attended regarding Vision Zero. Vision Zero was launched in Sweden in 1990's and has since been adopted by municipalities in North America. The focus is on designing roads that result in no fatalities or serious injuries involving road traffic.

9 Adjournment

Moved by: L. Gallant

Seconded by: B. Fish

THAT the meeting of PATC Committee be adjourned until the next meeting.

Carried

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Meeting schedule:

- November 21, 2017
- January 16, 2018
- February 20, 2018 (conflict with holiday?)
- March 20, 2018
- April 17, 2018
- May 15, 2018
- June 19, 2018