

**Pelham Active Transportation Committee
Minutes**

Tuesday, January 19, 2016, 6:00 p.m.

Location: Town of Pelham Council Chambers

1. **Attendance:** Bea Clark (Chair), Joe Marchant (Vice Chair), Bill Gibson, Jacob Paul, David Swan, John Swart, Councillor Brian Baty, Councillor Catherine King, Andrea Clemencio (staff), Xenia Pasiecznik (staff) Lisa Gallant (Recorder)

Regrets: Bob Fish

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**

New agenda item:

- New trail from Fenwick to Welland

Moved by: Councillor Baty

Seconded by: B. Gibson

THAT the agenda for the January 19, 2016 meeting be adopted with additions.

Carried

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

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest noted by members.

5. **Minutes Approval – November 17, 2015**

Moved by: J. Swart

Seconded by: D. Swan

THAT the minutes of the PATC meeting of November 17, 2015 be approved.

Carried

6. **Business Arising from Minutes – November 17, 2015**

6.1 *Active Transportation Master Plan update*

Work on the plan is well underway.

6.2 *Crosswalks on Pelham St. update*

The town is seeking additional input regarding the technical elements.

6.3 *Bike Friendly map update*

Members reviewed a handout showing criteria for road designation for cyclable mapping and an updated map.

Action:

- B. Gibson and Councillor Baty to meet further to work on the map and get input from cyclists
- A. Clemencio to provide traffic count data to support route identification

6.4 Port Robinson Ferry update

No additional news to report. The ferry will be funded and continue for two years.

6.5 Fonthill Spur Line

Meeting held in November with Thorold AT Advisory Committee (TATAC) and representatives from Welland. Tentative meeting in January has not been confirmed by the Chair of TATAC.

Action:

- B. Clark will follow-up with the chair of the TATAC about next steps

6.6 Budget Update

Capital budget approved including 20 year forecast. Includes funds to repair/add sidewalks and address accessibility including signage, benches and lighting along rail trail and lighting at Peace Park.

Pathway to E.L. Crossley approved for 2016 as Region is going ahead with road resurfacing from Lookout to Cream. Region will pick up cost of design; Town will cover cost of path and survey. Expect that some of the areas along the pathway will be quite narrow. Will explore possibility of reducing speed in that area, especially depending on how narrow the path must be. Approved \$130,000 for pavement.

Action:

- A. Clemencio to bring copies of 20 year forecast to the next meeting.
- PATC to ask for an opportunity to review the survey/plan for the route to E.L. Crossley.

7. Committee Events and Reports

7.1 Summerfest Committee

B. Gibson showed samples of the draft brochure and sample award for the car show. He expects to have information about PATC's involvement at Summerfest for the next meeting.

Councillor Baty raised need to inform residents of requirement for bike bells and 1 metre passing law; could show this as part of our activities to build visual awareness. Members to consider other ideas for further discussion.

7.2 Senior's Advisory Committee

The Senior's Advisory Committee requested benches from the Town on Church Hill, Canboro and Haist. The Town has concerns about available space on

Church Hill Street. PATC has had received similar feedback from the Town about limited room on Church Hill. The Town has provided many benches throughout Pelham as requested by PATC.

B Gibson circulated a handout identifying potential spots near a telephone pole or tree to add protection from vehicles on Church Hill.

In principlw, PATC supports rest areas on Church Hill. Recommend identifying 1-2 preferred locations and perhaps finding alternatives to benches such as rest spots; could be a single seat or artwork that can serve as a seat

Action:

- Members to consider 1-2 preferred locations and discuss options at the next meeting

7.3 G.A. Green School Travel Planning Committee

Next event and meeting is January 28. In November, gathered at intersection at Pelham Street and Port Robinson Road. Some suggestions to improve that area were discussed and will be further discussed at the next meeting.

Action:

- A. Clemencio to attend the next school meeting and explore options to monitor and possibly improve the intersection e.g., use of Jersey sticks.

8. New Business

8.1 Resident's concerns re access to Lathrop on Haist Street

No new correspondence to report since information provided by A. Clemencio and B. Wiens. PATC members expressed concern re access for first responders from Haist Street if needed. PATC still encourages consideration of access to the property from Haist.

Action:

- Bea to send follow-up correspondence to staff thanking them for their responses and asking if the question regarding issue of first responders has been considered

8.2 New trail from Fenwick to Welland

J. Swart noted his positive experience with this trail. He suggested a celebration / ribbon cutting ceremony at this site to build awareness of the new trail

Action:

- PATC could propose Mayor's walk moved to this location for 2016. Could align with Fenwick Farmer' Market on a Wednesday night at St. Anne's Church. Bea to make some inquiries about this possibility.

9. Adjournment

Moved by: Councillor Baty

Seconded by: J. Marchant

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

Carried

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Next meeting date: Tuesday, February 16, 2016