

# Active Transportation Advisory Committee

## Minutes

**Thursday, March 23, 2017**

**Ante Room at 6:00 pm**

### **Attendance:**

Dave Wyllie  
Peter Warwick  
Dianne Coppola  
Eric Klassen  
Robert Hillier  
Mike Sullivan  
Councillor Mike Britton

### **Absent:**

Jim Hunter (regrets)  
  
Councillor Bill Phillips (regrets)

### **Staff Liaison:**

Peter Leyser, Transportation Technologist

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1. **Call meeting to order (Chair)**  
The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm.
2. **Additions/Deletions to the Agenda**  
None.
3. **Motion to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting**  
Motion to approve meeting minutes of January 12, 2017 made by Peter Warwick.  
Seconded by David Wyllie. Carried.
4. **Presentations (invited guests)**  
*None.*
5. **Business arising from the minutes**  
None.

## **6. Business**

### **6.1 Update from Infrastructure/Connectivity Task Force**

Robert Hillier, David Wyllie and Peter Warwick met three times with Peter Leyser to identify priority routes for improvement in the areas of sidewalk connections, roads and trails. The lists have been circulated to committee members. Committee members would like to see a graphical display/mapping to illustrate what this list looks like overlaid with the existing infrastructure mapping. It was suggested that this task force meet again before the next committee meeting in May.

### **6.2 Update from Education/Promotion Task Force**

Dianne Coppola updated the committee with a draft work plan from this task force (distributed). Monthly messaging will be vetted through City staff for use in the Garden City Current e-mail circular or committee web page on the City's web site. A tentative monthly schedule was distributed and committee members were asked for contributions in the near future.

### **6.3 Active Transportation Workshop Results Prioritization: Policy, Data Gathering, Encouragement, Other**

Dianne Coppola facilitated this portion of the meeting.

Policy- Peter Leyser suggested that the area of policy is one closer to the staff side. For example, the committee can suggest bike parking standards, but need to know the current City standards.

Bike friendly status- Peter Leyser suggested that the Bike Friendly Award from the Share the Road organization has limited value to staff, but may have greater value to Councillors and the general public. Some promotional value may also exist. This was decided to be a medium priority item.

Secure Bike Parking- Committee members deemed this to be a high priority item, especially for locations such as the Performing Arts Centre.

Data Gathering- Peter Leyser stated that there is no current emphasis on data collection for cycling and pedestrians. Decisions based on policy guide the infrastructure component, not data. Committee members acknowledged the high importance of identifying collision "blackspots" for cyclists and pedestrians, with a goal of improving infrastructure at these locations.

Encouragement and other: to be covered at the next meeting. Committee members are encouraged to look back on their notes from November for background.

7.     **New business:** Suggestion was made to use the Merritt Room on the first floor of City Hall for the next meeting. This room offers a smart board for graphical displays and mapping.

Street sweeping was identified as a priority for roads with bicycle lanes.

8.     **Date of next meeting**  
Thursday, May 11, 2017, 6 pm, Merritt Room

9.     **Motion to Adjourn**

Made by general consensus, at 8:10 pm.