

PATC 2024-06 Official Minutes

Date:

26 June 2024

Time:

4:00pm to 5:30pm

Location:

Pelham Town Hall - Council Chambers - 20 Pelham Town

Square

Attendance:

Brian Baty (Committee Member)

Frank Adamson (Committee Member)
Patrick O'Hara (Committee Member)
Thom Hounsell (Committee Member)
Diana Huson (Regional Councillor)
Jason Marr (Director, Public Works)
Adam Carter (Committee Member)
Brian Eckhardt (Councillor Ward Two)

Nicholas Palomba (Engineering Technologist, Public Works) Sydney Van Leeuwen (Administrative Assistant, Public

Works)

Regrets:

Lori Lehne (Committee Member)

1. Call to Order and Declaration of Quorum

Chair Baty called meeting at 4:01 pm

2. Land Recognition Statement

Chair Baty recited the land recognition statement.

3. Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Frank Adamson **Seconded by:** Adam Carter

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda for the June 26, 2024, regular meeting of the Pelham Active Transportation Committee be adopted.

Carried



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4. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature

There were no pecuniary interests disclosed by any of the members present.

5. Approval of Minutes

Moved by: Thom Hounsell **Seconded by:** Adam Carter

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the May 27, 2024, Pelham Active Transportation Committee be approved.

Carried

6. Regular Business

6.1. Transit Service Enhancements within the Town of Pelham – Sarah Leach, Deputy Clerk

Sarah Leach spoke to the PATC about the Niagara Regional Transit updates to service and accessibility to Pelham residents.

Councillor Huson spoke about some discussion that was had at a regional level, specifically the concern with youth using public transit. Not enough connection and points of connection, not frequent enough service.

Sarah took feed back from the committee and will share those insights with Councillor Olson. Committee members voiced their concerns and questions regarding these updates and changes the system.

6.2. Committee to Discuss Communication Department Assisting PATC with Banners and Signage

Brian expressed the need to have the more specific signage for the new bicycle loops to make residents aware of the several locations within Pelham. He would like to see more public communication on the website and throughout Town.



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Motion: PATC requests the assistance of the Communication Department to design and order banners and related signage for the three bicycle loops within the Town of Pelham.

Mover: Frank Adamson **Seconder:** Patrick O'Hara

Carried

6.3. Canboro Rd – Multiuse Trail Discussion

Staff discussed the UEM (Urban Environmental Management) Implementation Report that was provided to staff regarding the Multiuse feasibility along Canboro Road. They provided 3 options, and the possibility of this commencing. Staff has a report going to Council on July 10th speaking to this report from UEM. The Town has currently applied for a grant for \$50,000 that would assist in covering the cost of the feasibility study. Staff may ask, based on the next Council meeting for a budget item in the 2025 budget in the amount of \$125,000. This is the first step in the process.

Motion: PATC would like to move forward with endorsing the feasibility study to ensure there is a connection between Fonthill & Fenwick, specifically on Canboro Rd.

Mover: Thom Hounsell **Seconder:** Adam Carter

Carried

6.4. Bicycle Loop Signage

Previously discussed above.



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6.5. Share the Road – Designation Application

Brian Baty is still working on the application and collecting information for the application. He will be also asking for the previous application.

6.6. Events

6.6.1. Canada Day Parade

The PATC will not be participating in the parade this year, not member availability.

6.6.2. Summerfest

The PATC will have a booth at Summerfest on the Saturday, July 20th. Committee to use their budget for added expenses as the Summerfest Committee is no longer providing a budget to participating committees.

Motion: For the Committee to keep their added expenses to a maximum of \$350.

Mover: Frank Adamson **Seconder:** Adam Carter

Carried

Committee members to be onsite at 9:00a.m. and to end near 3:00pm – there are about 2-3 Committee members that are available to participate.

7. Other Business

7.1. Upcoming Agenda Items – Committee Discussion

Bicycle Signage

Current signage is confusing, more emphasis on ensuring that the signage makes sense.



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Action: For staff to install and purchase more T-bar posts to allow for individual signs be installed (example of this being Maple St & Memorial). Brian is hoping to have a final inspection with staff to ensure that everything is corrected. Jason asked that Brian or Adam let staff know when they are available, and they will tour the loops to ensure that all signage is correct and complete.

Rumple Strips

Staff are working on installing signage, these are currently on order and the sharrows are to be painted by the fall. Thom mentioned the option of the installing bollards to make drivers appreciate that what appears to be paved shoulder appropriate for cyclists is unusable by cyclists, and this will allow drivers to understand why a cyclist is in the roadway. Committee members suggesting moving all lanes towards the north to allow more shoulder on the south side.

Pedestrian Friendly Community

The feasibility to make Fonthill a pedestrian friendly community. Potentially making this a local movement. Patrick to share videos and articles with the committee regarding this.

Start Me Up Niagara

Bike Me Up Niagara – program that asks for volunteers to assist with ensuring bicycles are provided and maintained for those that are in need, asks those who would like to donate used bicycles.

Old Rail Trail

The potential and the participating parties (Rotary Club) that are interested making this connection. Staff are meeting with the parties and clubs that are interested in making this connection to Thorold.

Public Outreach



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Potentially reaching out to local cycling groups within Pelham. Using the communication platform to generate a survey for the residents of Pelham. Committee would like to ensure that the work they are discussion or wanting to implement are effective to residents of Pelham.

Action: Jason to ask Leah if there is a platform that we use for surveys and what the best platform might be to get information to and from residents.

Charity Bike Rides

Potentially being able to have the committee talk to those that run these rides. A standardized survey that they could potentially send to all participates of the ride.

Action: for Committee to think about survey questions and to provide them to Councillor Huson.

7.2. Next meeting is scheduled for July 24, 2024

8. Adjournment

Moved: Frank Adamson **Seconded:** Thom Hounsell

THAT this Regular Meeting of the Pelham Active Transportation Committee be adjourned at 5:26 p.m.

Carried

Chair, Ɓrian Baty

Sydney Van Leeuwen



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Administrative Assistant, Sydney Van Leeuwen