Committee Members in Attendance:
Jordan Fysh  Marisa DiCenso  Pauline McKinley
Robert Brown  Robert Corsini  Tarquin Adams
Brad Tyleman

Regrets:  Tom Ellis, Sean Burak, Dave Thompson, Liz Duval, Walter Furlan, Andrea Kita

Visitors:  Kathryn Wrong (OpenStreets Hamilton), Tyler Shepherd

Staff:  Daryl Bender

Summary:
- The Committee is looking forward to working with Councillors to see the Hamilton cycling network expanded.
- Members were “wowed” by the interest in Hamilton cycling facilities at the Toronto International Bike Show, handing out over 1000 maps and 500+ of the new “Cycling Hamilton – Waterfalls & Vistas” pamphlets.

1. Introductions:
   - Pauline chaired the meeting.
2. Approval of Minutes:
   - Minutes for Mar 2011 were approved as amended. Moved/Seconded/Carried
3. Velodrome:
   - Council members will be meeting in mid April to confirm a decision of a location for the velodrome.
4. Education:
   - The City continues to search out CAN-BIKE instructors.
   - Daryl’s outstanding tasks include editing Pauline’s summary materials into a letter to the MTO for review; clarifying bylaws, and sharing ideas (through Andrea) to the OPHA project (Ontario Public Health Association) that aims to see more cycling education in the province’s driver training program.
5. Web access:
   - The committee members were reminded of the web-based file sharing arrangements and provided some feedback to Andrea.
6. Presentation to Council/PWC in 2011:
   - Members are aiming to make the presentation to PWC on June 6. The committee members were very pleased with the draft of the presentation. Engaging images and some data is needed for the presentation. All members were encouraged to collect photos, etc.
7. Promotion of Cycling:
   - www.cyclehamilton.ca – Various organizations have been asking to have their event posted on the website’s events page. Members decided that the only events that will be posted on the website are:
     i. those organized by Hamilton organizations
     ii. events that have at least a portion of their routing in Hamilton.
   - Already 15,000 of the new City bike maps have been distributed through City Rec Centres, Libraries, bike shops, the Hamilton Conservation Authority, and Tourism Hamilton. The committee suggested two external tourism venues as well – Province of Ontario & Niagara tourism facilities. Distribution of the maps at the Paris to Ancaster Bike Race was also suggested.
   - The members decided that the new 10 Route pamphlet will be distributed generously through only the following: Tourism Hamilton (7 locations), Hamilton bike shops, and the Hamilton Conservation Authority. The posting of the pamphlet on the web is at www.hamilton.ca/BikeRides
   - War of 1812 and BIA promotions – no updates.
   - HCyC booth – Toronto International Bicycle Show. The interest in the booth was great and people were very pleased to see the new bridge over the QEW open (and on the front cover of the map). Over 1000 City bike maps and 500+ of the new Cycling Hamilton – Waterfalls & Vistas (10 route) pamphlet were distributed. A big thank you was noted to all who helped staff the booth.
   - OpenStreets Hamilton – the first of these street celebrations in 2011 is planned for June 12, 10am to 5pm and a second one is planned for Sept. The HCyC booth will include the HSR “front bumper” bike rack.
- There is a Bike-to-Work Day planned for May 30 with the main meeting point being Gore Park, and with connections from there to major employers in various directions. The committee provided ideas for organizers – group photos every 10 mins, wrist bands, bike decals, breakfast munchies, and ensuring cycling dignitaries & politicians participate. **Members were encouraged to volunteer to lead bike rides.**

8. **Budget:**
   - No updates

9. **Planning:**
   - The Ancaster Transportation Master Plan is nearing completion.

10. **Projects:**
    - CP Rail Trail – aiming for construction starting in May 2011.
    - The committee was informed of projects being considered as part of road reconstruction in 2011 include: Burlington St and Wilson St Hill (Lower Lions Club to Rousseau).
    - The committee was informed of projects being considered as special cycling projects in 2011 – including Hunter St, Wellington (south of Hunter)/Stinson, King St over Hwy 403 to Cline, Mount Albion Rd, Locke/Pearl, and Highland Rd. The committee expressed concern regarding Pearl St being very steep in the vicinity of Bold St.
    - The committee was informed of projects that are not proceeding in 2011: Victoria St (Burlington St to Barton St) – construction is postponed, Nash Rd – Councillor approval was not granted. **The committee to send an email to the Councillor to enquire about his decision.**

11. **Bikes at City Hall:**
    - Members are awaiting written justification from the City of the “no bikes in City Hall” policy.

12. **Events:**
    - The Earth Day clean-up along the Escarpment Rail trail has been cancelled.
    - Joint Meeting with Niagara & Burlington/Halton cycling committees – aim for May 14, 2011 at the Lakeland Centre

13. **Other Business:**
    - None

14. **Announcements:**
    - Members were informed that the enclosed bike parking fee at City facilities has increased to $50/yr.
    - The Complete Streets Forum is on Apr 28/29 in Toronto.
    - **Members were encouraged to check out www.icyclehamilton.ca**

15. **Adjournment.**

    **Next Meeting:** Wed. May 4, 2011