Hamilton Cycling Committee
Monthly Meeting – April 5, 2006

Time: 5:00 P.M.
Place: Hamilton City Hall, Room 264

Attendance: Daryl Bender (Chair), Al Horzelenberg, Brad Tyleman, Bob Brown, Brian Applebee (Staff), Tarquin Adams, Matt Thompson, Greg Ellis, and two guests; Paul Smith smithpa@mcmaster.ca and Ilja Green uticigreen2003@yahoo.ca

Regrets: Udo Ehrenberg, Michael Donaldson, Cheri Weaver, Thom Oomen, Chris Gainham, Rob Wazny, Sarah Veale

Meeting chair: Brad Tyleman

Meeting notes taken by Al Horzelenberg.

1. Minutes of the previous meetings held on March 1, 2006 were approved.

2. Toronto Bike Show re-cap:
   Comments brought forward:
   Copy Niagara’s example and insert all brochures into Tourism Hamilton bags.
   Some comments from show attendees re: Hamilton cycling facilities/maps, etc:
   1. use rail trail fr. Middletown Rd. to Centre Rd.;
   2. Trail fr. Governor’s to Powerline Rd. non-existent; Millen Rd. not swept;
   3. mark access points to Conservation areas on the map;
   4. make the abandoned section of Brock Rd. a designated bike route;
   5. Governor’s Rd. should have bike lanes;
   6. Hwy. 52 fr. Copetown to Hwy. # 2 needs bike lanes to access rail trail;
   7. Develop Sunday “shut down corridors” for free flow cycling
   To remember for next year: More pamphlets of “Waterfalls”, “Valens”, “Mountain Bike Routes”

3. Bike to Work Week:
   Cf. Toronto’s list of activities during their Bike to Work week.
   Action item: Greg Ellis and Al Horzelenberg will follow up with some ideas on our involvement in Hamilton’s recognition of “Green Venture Week” and “Commuter Challenge”.

4. Transportation Master Plan:
   Darryl’s report was received for information with thanks. Comments will be made via e-mail.
5. **Education Efforts:**
   - **Can-Bike:** Brad Tyleman will follow up with more information at our next meeting. A possible instructor submitted his name at the Toronto Bike Show:
     Dan McDonald
danielmedonald@hotmail.com
289-259-5141
   - **Home depot Education day:** No volunteers.
   - **Summer Festivals:** looking for volunteers.

6. **Joint Committee Meeting:** Waiting for Niagara Cycling Committee to contact us re: possible joint meeting in Pelham. Hamilton Committee will prepare a list of agenda items in the meantime.

7. **Updates:**
   a. **C.P. Rail Project:** Brian Applebee indicated that Staff are waiting for Council approval to proceed with realty assessment, Phase 1 Env. Site Assessment and detail design. City is hopeful that these items will be complete by year’s end. The Hwy. 403 Bridge, through the rail yard to Studholme Road is projected to be a long term lease arrangement with CP.
   b. **York Blvd.:** Staff made a presentation to the Public Works Infrastructure and Environment Committee indicating a 4 lane to 2 lane conversion as per the outcome of the E.A. Pending Council approval, the EA document to be put on public record from middle of April until middle of May 2006. Monies for implementation to come from 2005 Capital Budget. Construction in June 2006 if possible.
   c. **Trails Master plan:** Brian will contact Steve Barnhart re: Open Space development and Park Planning to see if a presentation on the TMP could be done
   d. **Budget:** no resolutions.
   e. **Anti-idling:** Thom Oomen to report back on future plans.
   f. **Earth day:** Friday April 28, 2006. Ecoday festival 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. No volunteers to man the booth.

8. **Other Business:**
   a. Active Living Fair Wed. June 7, 2006
   b. Ilja Green Addressed the committee on her study of cycling patterns and asked for input on a master transportation plan.

9. **Motion to adjourn:** Moved by Al Horzelenberg Seconded by Tarquin Adams. Carried.

   **Next Meeting:** Wed. May 3, 2006
   Hamilton City Hall
   Meeting Rm. 264 at 5:00 p.m.