



## TOWN OF COLLINGWOOD

### TRAILS AND ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

December 12, 2024, 2:30 p.m.  
Collingwood Public Library  
Community Rooms B & C, Third Floor  
55 Ste. Marie Street, Collingwood ON

Members Present: Murray Knowles, Chair  
Marianne Staempfli  
Dallyce Macas, Vice Chair  
Dave Stamper  
Diane Belanger  
Janet Gates  
Linda Haldenby  
John Millar  
Jody Wilson

Staff Present: Dylan Stoneman, Engineering Design Technologist  
Jenny Haines, Administrative Coordinator

Others: George Christie, Honourary Member  
Jack Marely, Trail Captain  
Amber Leal, Manager Growth and Development  
Mike Latimer, Engineering Project Manager

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#### 1. Call to Order

Chair Knowles called the meeting of the Trails and Active Transportation Committee to order at 2:34 p.m.

#### 2. Adoption of the Agenda

##### **TRA-032-2024**

Moved by: Dallyce Macas

Seconded by: Janet Gates

**THAT** the content of the Trails and Active Transportation Committee Meeting agenda for Thursday, December 12, 2024, be adopted as presented.

#### 3. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest

None.

#### 4. Adoption of Minutes

## **TRA-033-2024**

Moved by: Linda Haldenby

Seconded by: Janet Gates

**THAT** the minutes of the regular meeting of the Trails and Active Transportation meeting held on Thursday, November 14, 2024 be adopted as presented and forwarded to Council for receipt at its next regular meeting.

## **5. Business Arising from the Previous Meeting**

### **5.1 Cameron Street Feasibility Study**

Committee discussed and endorsed the Cameron Street Feasibility Study and Chair Knowles confirmed that any feedback from Committee has been provided to Engineering Design Technologist Stoneman.

### **5.2 Harbourview Trail Street signs**

Manager Martin was not in attendance at this meeting. Engineering Design Technologist Stoneman confirmed that he will follow up with Manager Martin regarding the Harbourview Trail Street signs.

### **5.3 Trail counters**

Member Millar confirmed he will provide an update at the next meeting as he is waiting on information from Lindsay Lyall.

### **5.4 GPS on-line map and on-line map donation link**

Chair Knowles confirmed that this agenda item is on hold at this time.

### **5.5 2025 Budget**

Chair Knowles noted that in his review of the draft 2025 Budget there was no line item regarding line painting or construction at Keith Avenue. Chair Knowles confirmed that he will review draft 3 when it is released and confirm.

### **5.6 Bike Tour on April 29**

Chair Knowles noted that he is looking for Committee members to volunteer to be involved with the development of a Bike Tour for the conference being held in Collingwood on April 29. Chair Knowles confirmed that the volunteers will assist in planning the bike route and act like leaders on the day of the Tour.

## **6. Deputations**

### **6.1 Mountain Road Rebuild - Engineering Project Manager**

Engineering Project Manager Mike Latimer briefed the Committee on the Mountain Road Reconstruction and Rebuild and reviewed the plan and

profile drawings. Engineering Project Manager Latimer noted upgrades to services and that a signalized pedestrian crossing further west than the bridge and existing crossing.

Engineering Project Manager Latimer took comments and answered questions from Committee regarding:

- if consideration has been made to put a tunnel under the bridge;
- if consideration been made to create a pathway coming off the abutment of the bridge (as part of the bridge) cantilevered under the bridge;
- if Staff have considered not building a tunnel underground;
- if Staff have considered use of the private property by Wal-Mart;
- confirmation that Staff plan to move pedestrian crossway further down Mountain Road;
- confirmation that the bridge is being repaired;
- why the Engineering team are unable to find a way to safely get people from one side of the trail to the other crossing a road;
- that raising raising a bridge does not seem as difficult in comparison to all the work that is being proposed;
- that Staff need to seriously consider other options;
- confirmation on the re-routing that is being proposed for trail users;
- concern that the ditches are deep and narrow;
- that the public will not respect the barriers and will dodge them to cross the road where they want to;
- what are Staff going to do to ensure that people are crossing where they are supposed to cross;
- do Staff have a 3D rendering of the bridge;
- when do Staff anticipate the construction to occur;

Committee members discussed the importance that the Town is looking at the safest way to cross Mountain Road when using the Black Ash Creek Trail and suggested that Staff consider other options.

*Engineer Mike Latimer left the meeting at this time.*

## **7. Reports**

### **7.1 Capital Project Update Report - November 2024 and December 2024**

**TRA-034-2024**

Moved by: John Millar

Seconded by: Diane Belanger

**THAT** the Trails and Active Transportation Advisory Committee receive the following reports for information purposes only:

- November 2024 TATAC Capital Project Update Report
- December 2024 TATAC Capital Project Update Report

**CARRIED****7.2 Maintenance**

There was no update provided at this meeting.

**7.3 Trail map**

Trail Captain Jack Marley confirmed that there are no printed maps available at this time and provided Committee with a review of statistics related to QR Code use.

Jack Marley confirmed that advertisers have been obtained and he will provide Committee with a review of the second draft at the next meeting. Jack Marley looked to Committee for their thoughts on the cover photo for the map, noting that consideration could be made to print the maps seasonally, using a Springtime photo to start.

**7.4 Communication**

There was no update on this agenda item at this time.

**8. Other Business****8.1 Ontario Bike Summit**

Chair Knowles noted that the 2025 Ontario Bike Summit is scheduled for May 27-30 in Windsor. Chair Knowles noted that if any members of the Committee wish to attend they can reach out to Manager Martin directly.

**8.2 Multi-use Pathway education**

Committee discussed the importance of Multi-use Pathway Education. Committee members shared unpleasant experiences they had while cycling on Multi-Use Pathways in Town. Committee discussed the importance of educating the public on the rules regarding Multi-Use Pathways use, keeping in mind that not everyone uses a Trails Map. Committee noted that signage and line-painting can be increased and a social media campaign can be put out in the Spring. Chair Knowles

confirmed he would keep this item on the agenda and continue discussion and next steps.

### **8.3 Speed Limits**

Committee discussed concerns regarding the various speed limits on Sixth Street to the west of High Street to Mountain Road. Engineering Design Technologist Stoneman confirmed that the road is a County Road and the Town cannot change the speed limit. Engineering Design Technologist Stoneman reminded Committee that the Town is undergoing a Town Wide Speed Limit Study and there will be recommendations with the study to reduce speed limits in Town. Engineering Design Technologist Stoneman confirmed that until the study is finalized, there will not be any changes to speed limits in Town. Engineering Design Technologist Stoneman confirmed that he will keep Committee apprised on the study when it is finalized.

Committee members noted various other streets with speed limit concerns and Chair Knowles suggested that a list of roads be established so Committee can be prepared with their recommendations.

### **8.4 Planning Application Review**

Chair Knowles noted that there were three applications for Committee to review and that he has submitted comments on behalf of the Committee. Committee members discussed having a Town Planner attend a TATC meeting on a quarterly basis.

## **9. Correspondence**

Nil.

## **10. Public Delegation(s) (Maximum 5 Minutes per Delegation)**

Nil.

## **11. Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Trails and Active Transportation Advisory Committee will take place on Thursday, January 16, 2025, commencing at 2:30 p.m. The meeting will be held in the FreeSchools World Literary Room located on the first floor, Collingwood Public Library.

## **12. Adjournment**

Moved by: Member Millar

**THAT** the meeting of the Trails and Active Transportation Advisory Committee be hereby adjourned at 4:05 p.m. **CARRIED.**

Chair