



**ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES
February 13, 2025**

PRESENT: Hugh Millward, Chair
Douglas Wetmore, Vice Chair
Councillor John Young
Holly Woodill
Anika Riopel
Elizabeth Pugh
Peter Zimmer
Milena Khazanavicius
Myles McCormick
Glenn Babcock
Nathan Tuck

OTHERS PRESENT: Councillor Trish Purdy

REGRETS: Paul Young

STAFF: David MacIsaac, Manager, Active Transportation
Olawumi Odeyinka-Apantaku, Legislative Assistant

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1. CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m. and acknowledged that the meeting took place in the traditional and ancestral territory of the Mi'kmaq people, and that we are all treaty people.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – December 4, 2024

MOVED by Douglas Wetmore, seconded by Holly Woodill

THAT the minutes of December 4, 2024 be approved as circulated.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

3. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

Additions: None

Deletions: None

Deferred to the March 20, 2025 meeting of Active Transportation Advisory Committee:

- 9.2.1 – Anika Riopel: Spryfield Local Activations Update

MOVED by Anika Riopel, seconded by Holly Woodill

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES – NONE

5. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS – NONE

6. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – NONE

7. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

7.1 Correspondence – None

7.2 Petitions – None

7.3 Presentation – None

8. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE

9. REPORTS/DISCUSSION

9.1 STAFF

9.1.1 Cherry Brook Walking Audit Recap

The following was before the Committee:

- Presentation dated February 13, 2025

Turim Anders, Active Transportation Planner, Catherine Driesbeck, Program Manager, Hike Nova Scotia, and Sherry Smith, representative from Cherry Brook Community gave a presentation.

Anders, Driesbeck, Smith and David MacIsaac, Manager, Active Transportation responded to questions of clarification from the Committee.

The Committee discussed the need for more sidewalks, wider multi-use pathways and reduced speed limits within the Cherry Brook community.

MOVED by Milena Khazanavicius, seconded by Douglas Wetmore

THAT the Active Transportation Advisory Committee recommend that the Transportation Standing Committee request the Chief Administrative Officer direct staff to prepare a report on prioritizing construction of sidewalks or multiuse pathways within the Cherry Brook community.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

9.1.2 Active Transportation Update

David Maclsaac, Manager, Active Transportation spoke to the Midtown 'AAA' Bikeways public engagement on February 15 and 18, 2025 and the Technical Committee feedback on the Grahams Grove concepts. Maclsaac spoke to ongoing Active Transportation projects under the Active Transportation (AT) Grants Program, which included five separate grants: AT Capital, AT Recapitalization, AT Emergency Repairs, AT Education and Promotion approved through the Capital Budget Process and AT Maintenance and Operations approved through the Operational Budget process. Maclsaac noted that the report outlining the results on a new area rate to enable sidewalks or on-road multi-use pathways in rural centres would go before Regional Council in March.

Maclsaac responded to questions of clarification from the Committee.

9.2 COMMITTEE MEMBER UPDATES

9.2.1 Anika Riopel: Spryfield Local Activations Update

This matter was deferred during the approval of the Order of Business.

10. ADDED ITEMS – NONE

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – March 20, 2025

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:08 p.m.

Olawumi Odeyinka-Apantaku
Legislative Assistant