These minutes are considered draft and will require approval by the Active Transportation Advisory Committee at a future meeting.

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The meeting was called to order at 4:35 p.m., the Committee adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

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 – February 15, 2024

MOVED by Douglas Wetmore, seconded by Brittney MacLean

THAT the minutes of February 15, 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

MOVED by Peter Zimmer, seconded by Holly Woodill

THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

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

7.3.1 Active Transportation and Recreation Committee at the St. Margaret's Bay Stewardship Association – Craig Ross

The following was before the Committee:

- Request to present dated March 26, 2024
- Presentation dated April 18, 2024

Craig Ross, Chair, Active Transportation and Recreation Committee at St. Margaret's Bay Stewardship Association, gave a presentation and responded to questions of clarification from the Committee regarding a holistic approach to connecting active transportation in the rural areas and infrastructure to support micro mobility vehicles.

David MacIsaac, Manager, Active Transportation responded to questions of clarification from the Committee regarding the facility types that were proposed for Upper Tantallon and other rural communities for sidewalks and multi-use pathways as well as the requirements for broader active
transportation planning in rural communities. MacIsaac invited Committee members to inform staff about special active transportation initiatives in their communities.

Later in the meeting, MacIsaac stated they would update the Committee at their next meeting regarding the inclusion of active transportation and sidewalk connections within the communities that are the subject of an upcoming staff report regarding emergency egress routes.

8. INFORMATION ITEMS Brought FORWARD – none

9. REPORTS/DISCUSSION

9.1 STAFF

9.1.1 Update on the New Sidewalk Level of Service Report

The following was before the Committee:
  • Staff presentation dated April 18, 2024

Anders Turim, Active Transportation Planner, gave a presentation and responded to questions of clarification from the Committee regarding the evaluation criteria for high need sidewalk infrastructure.

David MacIsaac, Manager, Active Transportation, responded to questions of clarification from the Committee regarding accessibility of sidewalk infrastructure on private properties.

9.1.2 Active Transportation Update

David MacIsaac, Manager, Active Transportation gave an update on the business unit hiring more staff within the next month to enhance staff capacity. MacIsaac also noted the upcoming public engagement on Active Transportation projects.

9.2 COMMITTEE MEMBERS

9.2.1 Discussion on General Correspondence re: Crosswalk Signals

The following was before the Committee:
  • Correspondence from Alexandre Plourde

Roddy MacIntyre, Manager, Traffic Services and Road Safety responded to questions raised in the correspondence regarding pedestrian pushbuttons at intersections.

10. ADDED ITEMS – none

11. DATE OF Next MEETING – May 16, 2024

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.