

BCAC Subcommittee Meeting

March 24, 2022

Remi: he's a cyclist, and wants to protect cycling and infrastructure. Rides 5-10,000

Tony: cycling for 5-6 yrs. Most riding was 4000 km. Also truck driver and driving instructor.

Others are known.

Steve Laidlaw, reporting on an update on bicycle theft.

Peel Police should update methods of tracking and returning stolen bikes, as their methods have been in place since ~1969. Steve made a presentation to Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee and all agreed with him.

Project 529 from Vancouver seems to be the answer. Bike owners are responsible for describing and registering their own bikes and the police can use the info in the website, to find lost bikes.

MCAC appointed a liaison to keep in touch with Steve.

Steve submitted all the relevant info to Peel Police, for their consideration. Toronto Police are going to go ahead with the program.

Steve and Nelson talked to Officer Oberhauser. The Peel Police think their present system works, but if others want it, they will consider it. Cllr Fonseca of Mississauga may put forward a motion to Regional Council.

The cost to PP would be \$7000/yr.

240 thefts/year during pandemic years.

Dayle suggested that going to Regional Council level is a good idea.

Nelson suggested looking at the Police Services Board, and maybe asking Peel Council for the funding.

"Working well" is a matter of conjecture.

Steve will let the committee know what further steps he will take.

BYLAWS

Review of bylaws was in our workplan.

Staff looked at ten traffic bylaws from local/area municipalities close to ours, to see how well our bylaws work.

1 - Speed limit? Limit of 20KPH, convex mirrors at blind corners. Not enforceable.

2 - Age limit on sidewalk instead of wheel size

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3 - Parking in bike lane prohibited - exceptions to be discussed further: turning right at an intersection, not in a bike lane; bus parking between shifts, in bike lanes is an operational issue, not a bylaw issue.

4 - Provision for Bikes at transit stops.

5 - Provincial highway traffic act covers single-file riding. Strike this and #6.

6 - “ “ “ “

7 - No person shall ride double on a single bike.

8 - No person shall ride recklessly - in Highway Traffic Act? Will be checked.

9 - e-bikes, etc., on recreational trails, and all other cycling infrastructure.

A- on all trails, etc., up to 55KG.

B- Not on recreational paths, only on-road bike lanes.

What about disability scooters? Allowed on sidewalks.

C- Shouldn't be included at all, because there is no human energy used. Not on bike lanes, or any other cycling infrastructure. Should be in regular traffic.

Nelson will write up the final version and present it at the April BCAC meeting.

The May meeting will be a bike ride!