# **HUB Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows meeting Feb 8, 2018**

In attendance: Michael, Kino, Peter J., Barry, Ivan, Jackie

Regrets: Jenny

#### **Notes**

Past MR/PM events:

None

Upcoming MR/PM events:

- March 24, 10 am 2 pm: Earth Day Repair Cafe Launch: bike repair workshop (Dave)

   <u>http://rmrecycling.org/community/celebrate-earth-day-maple-ridge/repair-cafes-maple-ridge</u>

  The launch will be at the Maple Ridge Seniors Centre, 12150 224th Street. Organizers will provide a table. Dave will be the master bike mechanic instructor and will bring the necessary tools. Jackie to recruit skilled helper(s).
- April 21: Earth Day Cycle Recycle and Repair Cafe (Dave, Barry)
   Earth Day theme: "DIY: Make it, Grow it, Fix it, Share it"
   Dave will ensure that all Cycle Recycle bikes are ready to go at the start of the event.

  Barry suggests that Dave runs his bike repair station with the other Repair Cafe activities in the Greg Moore Youth Centre rather than at the Cycle Recycle since we'll only have one tent. Dave will need at least one helper (Jackie to recruit).

Barry will be at the Cycle Recycle. Michael, Kino, Peter J., Ivan and Jackie will be available for the Cycle Recycle as well.

#### Other:

- Council discussion at Workshop Jan. 9 about cycling on the sidewalk in downtown Maple Ridge and lowering speed limit on 224th Street.
  - Council was mostly in favour of banning cycling on certain downtown sidewalks (along 224th between Lougheed and Dewdney, and Dewdney Trunk Road and Lougheed Hwy between 223rd and 227th Streets, Edge St. from MacIntosh to Dewdney). The recommendation was sent back to ATAC to discuss extending 30 km/h speed limit on 224th to North Ave. and 122 Ave. (which was our HUB committee's original proposal), as well as on Dewdney Trunk Road (between 224th and 227th Street?). Council also wants to add roller blades and skateboards to the ban.
- Jan. 31: Information Session MoTI Haney Bypass and our committee's <u>submission</u> (Jackie) Response from MoTI: our comments will be considered for future projects.
- Spot improvements (Jackie). Our spot improvement requests of July 2017 and Oct 2017 have not been dealt with. A reminder was sent quite some time ago but no response. Jackie to send additional request for spot improvements and another reminder for previous ones. Also update the UnGapTheMap list.
- Maple Ridge ATAC update (Dave/Kino). January 31 meeting canceled: no update.

• Pitt Meadows ATAC update (Peter J)?

#### • Hammond bike route

Jackie attended meeting with Ian McLeod (fraseropolis.com), James Rowley and Leanne Koehn from Hammond Neighbours facebook group, as well as an interested Hammond resident to discuss the plan for a recreational bike route from Memorial Peace Park to Hammond, with a possible optional extension of the route into Pitt Meadows (Osprey Village). Ian has kindly taken the lead on this project. The idea is to propose an easy family-friendly destination route that could be promoted by the City as part of Maple Ridge's Tourism Strategy. Hammond was chosen as it is of historic interest and has some nice heritage homes. The route between downtown Maple Ridge and Hammond follows mostly quiet roads and is flat. Route still needs to be refined. The focus is on local residents, with possibly a wider audience in Metro Vancouver. Next step is to meet with Maple Ridge Museum Director.

## Group/assessment rides

Discussed possibility of organizing informal monthly rides with committee members and anyone who's interested in joining as a way to generate more interest in what we do, and hopefully to get guests to keep coming back to our meetings. Most importantly, we discussed the après-bike part of the rides, i.e. the final destination, being a pub/brewery/coffee shop.

### • Blog/website local committee

Discussed whether or not we should do something with the old rmcyclist.info blog. Posts have been very infrequent in more recent years, and it lacks appeal. Michael expressed an interest in working on this. To be discussed further.

Annual allowance:

Balance as of Aug. 10, 2017: \$240.52

Total cash donations: \$42.30.