

**Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows HUB Meeting Minutes**  
**January 11, 2024, 5:45 p.m.**  
**Maple Ridge Library, Alouette Room**

1. **Attendees:** Jenny Wright, Jackie chow, Ivan Chow, Linda Kingston. Gerard Van Hilten. Attending online – Michael Nelson, Asher Steed
2. **Minutes of meeting of meeting of November 9, 2023** – approved
3. **Agenda** – add 4.5 - HUB meeting with Maple Ridge staff
4. **Old Business**
  - 4.1 **ATAC PM** – Report provided by Peter Jongbloed  
No meeting was held since the last HUB meeting update.  
Council has kept the ATAC budget at \$100k as per staff's recommendation.  
Staff will be conducting a review of all the advisory committees.  
It's possible that staff will recommend folding the ATAC into a new Safer City committee which would also include RCMP and various others.  
Next ATAC meeting is February 12.  
Information provided by Erin O'Melinn regarding council decision to keep the annual budget to \$100,000. They voted to keep the \$100,000 annual AT budget, no increase or decrease. Maybe the CAO will look into temporary staff resourcing to be able to better leverage grant funding. One of their arguments was that there was no specific project to use the \$200,000 this year, so we need to hold them to their comments that they all support AT after the Harris Road Complete Street feasibility study is ready and it's construction time. Alison Evans should be congratulated for coming out strong in support of increasing the budget to \$200,000. She had great comments and was ready to make a new motion for it.
  - 4.2 **TAC MR** – no update provided by Ashley van der Pauw. Noted that Gabriel Liosis has been appointed to the TAC by School District 42. Hudson Campbell will be the alternate.
  - 4.3 **Banner Options** – results of the vote for the photos were for the bandstand group and the 203<sup>rd</sup> bike lane. Will provide a QR link to the website on the banner. Jackie will let Cathy know which photos to include
  - 4.4 **MUP discussions** – discussion about sending a letter to the city in a similar style to the Burnaby one Jackie shared by e-mail. The letter should outline the argument for increased safety of using green paint in conflict zones (i.e. intersections and driveways). Jackie to work on the letter to be sent to staff and copied to mayor and council. Members are to send their thoughts o locations of conflict zones and include photos if you have them.

4.5 **HUB meeting with Maple Ridge staff – Forrest Smith** had indicated that he would like to organize a meeting with LC reps. Jenny to call to see if there is any follow up.

## 5. **New Business**

5.1 – **All Committee Workshop** -attended by Jenny - 20 attendees from local HUB committees . Four presenters on the topic of what it takes to be a good cycling advocate. Presenters represented council and staff from local communities.

Tony Valente – North Shore councillor – need to connect with local officials and build relationships. Most important time is late January as budget plans are being made. Attend public meetings about budgets. Identify local allies to present project as a group.

Paul Kreuger – City of Vancouver engineering staff – city staff are directed by council. Be specific regarding needs. I.e. Find data on injury when arguing against mixing pedestrians and cyclists. Terminology should refer to Active Transportation and Safer Streets.

Michael Trancette – worked on bike parks. Advised to pick one thing/one place. Strength in numbers. Use social media. Be a presence at Council meetings.

Anthony Floyd – Chair Vancouver/UBC – spoke on capital and operational budgets. More likely to get small things done more quickly. Have regular meetings with staff. Maybe identify one large project and a couple of small ones.

Takeaways – Set priorities, get transportation committee involved, build personal relationships.

- a) Call Forrest for a meeting – Jenny
- b) Call Sunny Schiller to set up a coffee meeting perhaps with Jenny, Jackie and Ivan.
- c) Focus on priority of a safe route through the downtown core as it has already been identified as a priority in the community plan.

## 6. **Roundtable**

6.1 Jenny – Active School Transportation symposium is still on track for the spring.

Will also connect with the Seniors Network.