

**Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows HUB Meeting Minutes
July 11, 2024 - 5:45 pm - Maple Ridge Public Library**

1. Attendees: Ivan Chow, Jackie Chow, Jenny Wright, Michael Nelson, Sigrun Gilmour
2. Minutes of previous meeting June 13, 2024 - approved
3. Agenda approved
4. **Old Business**
 - 4.1. **ATAC PM** - No Report
 - 4.2. **TAC MR** - No Report
 - 4.3. **Active School Travel** - Jenny reports that 3 schools are keen to participate in Active School Travel and she will be in touch with them in September to support their initiatives to increase Active School Travel. Jenny will also connect with DPAC.

Climate Hub prepared a report after the Active School Travel Symposium with lots of positive initiatives. As a result, a new group has formed called the Active School Travel Coalition and the first meeting will be scheduled for some time in late September. Jenny will be part of this group.
 - 4.4. **Pitt Meadows Day Parade** - Ride was not under the Hub banner. Ivan reports that the bike valet was very popular - lots of bikes this year.
 - 4.5. **CEED Centre Block Party (mini cycle Recycle)** - Bad weather - not well attended. We gave away 6-7 bikes to people at other booths.
 - 4.6. **Pitt Meadows Airport Day** - No volunteers were able to attend so Hub did not participate.
 - 4.7. **City of Maple Ridge 150 “Our Neck of the Woods” Sept 14 and “Rock the Block” Hammond Park, Aug. 10** - Hub Head Office is liaising with City of Maple Ridge to lead rides to “Our Neck of the Woods” celebration on Sept 14. Jackie has suggested 2 rides (one in the morning around 11:00 - 11:30 from Alexander

Robinson School and one in the afternoon around 1:00 - 1:30 from Hammond Park). Rides will be one way only and volunteers could possibly have lunch between rides either downtown or packed lunch at a park. Ride leaders will come from Hub Head Office but will need several volunteers from Maple Ridge Committee. Alexis from Hub Head Office has asked the City of Maple Ridge for funding and is awaiting a response. Jackie will send out a call to Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows Groups.io for volunteers. Hub Maple Ridge needs to attend the August 10 "Rock the Block" event in Hammond to gauge interest in joining a organized ride to "Our Neck of the Woods" event on September 14.

5. New Business

5.1. Bus Rapid Transit in Maple Ridge - We would like the following infrastructure in place for BRT:

- Unidirectional bike tracks separated from pedestrians on both sides of Lougheed;
- Consideration of one-way streets going north/south that feed into BRT;
- Secure bike parking at BRT stations.

5.2. Hub office request for feedback on questions for candidates on upcoming provincial election - not much to add to the questions that head office had prepared. Jackie will send out one last reminder email to Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows Committee.

6. Roundtable

Jackie - Jackie is a member of Blockwatch in her neighbourhood - she would like to meet with the RCMP as she has concerns over their perception of safe cycling. Sigrun and/or Jenny have volunteered to go with her.

Peter Tam of Rotary Club would like someone from HUB to come and talk to them about cycling. Jenny has offered to give him a call.

Sigrun - Bikeways need clearing - Jenny suggested to call City Operations - they

are good at responding.

Jenny - Jenny volunteered at the BC Cycling Coalition at Anvil Centre in New Westminster. She said it was very encouraging - over 300 people attended - great networking. Lots of interesting talks. Lots of people pushing for more active transportation funding. This event happens every year and she may volunteer next year as well.

Jenny sent letters to the Mayor and Council of Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows with respect to the safe passing law. Hub is requesting that Mayor and Council remind City staff of the new safe passing law of 1 metre for speeds of 50 km/hr and under and 1.5 metres for speeds over 50 km/hr.

Jenny will follow-up with Mark Halpin re 203rd Street and Hammond Road MUP intersection safety and also concerns from the elementary school at that intersection.

Jenny has sent a letter to the new Director of Engineering in Maple Ridge requesting a meeting with him. A reply was sent immediately that he would like to meet and that he would be in touch in due course.