



HERITAGE TRAIL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

March 19, 2025, 1:00 p.m.

Members Present: Rick Meloen - Chair, Tony Chisholm - Vice Chair, Fred Sentineal, Dick Coyne, Wendy Cheropita - Councillor, Cheryl Morris, Albrecht Seeger

Staff Present: Kevin Turcotte -- Manager of Parks and Recreation, Christine Tonon - Operations Clerk

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair, Rick Meloen called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Albrecht Seeger, that the agenda be adopted as presented.

APPROVED

3. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None were declared.

4. PREVIOUS MINUTES

Moved by Rick Meloen, Chair, that the minutes from February 19, 2025 be received.

APPROVED

5. PRESENTATIONS

There were none.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were none.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

There were none.

8. BUSINESS

8.1 Finance and Grant Update

Kevin Turcotte, Manager of Parks and Recreation advised that three grants have been applied for:

- Niagara Community Foundation
- Greenbelt
- Active Transportation

A donation has been received from the Goettler Foundation, there will be an announcement in the second week of June

Chair Rick Meloen suggested organizing a media event when the Town begin Line 3-4 construction.

Dick Coyne joined the meeting at 1:03 pm.

Wendy Cheropita - Councillor joined the meeting at 1:05 pm.

8.2 Construction Update

Kevin Turcotte confirmed with the Roads Supervisor that the work on Lines 2-3 will commence and be completed during the last two weeks of May, weather permitting. The completion of Lines 3-4 is expected to take approximately four weeks and is scheduled for June.

Some ditching and culverts are needed between Lines 3-4.

8.3 Report from Chair

- Vice Chair Tony Chisholm and Chair Rick Meloen met with the representatives virtually from the TransCanada Trail on February 12, 2025.
- TransCanada Trail representatives expressed interest in the project and expressed they would like to be updated when the Town reaches the Line 9 phase, they are also interested in making a loop from the Parkway to the Heritage Trail.
- They would like to be involved when the Town starts on Phase 4. There may be additional funding available for Engineering.

- Once the machinery is onsite, Mr. Meloen has suggested relocating the portable sign promptly.
- Manager Turcotte will research whether the speed limits can be lowered on East/West Line

9. NEW BUSINESS

10. NEXT MEETING DATE

Wednesday, April 16, 2025, at 1:00 p.m.

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was unanimously adjourned at 1:32 p.m.