

**Minutes - Delta HUB Committee Meeting**  
Thursday, Sept. 3rd, 2015 – 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.  
Ladner Pioneer Library (Meeting Room)

**1. INTRODUCTIONS:** Patrick (Chair), Alex, John, Sandra, Roel, Alex, Anton

**2. MINUTES: Review/approval of minutes from last meeting**

- Minutes of June 4th meeting were approved.

**3. SUMMARY: Delta HUB participation at Chamber's Visitor Booths**

- During the summer Delta HUB participated in six Visitor Booths put on by the Delta Chamber of Commerce in Ladner, Tsawwassen and North Delta.
- The outreach allowed Delta HUB to interact and collect feedback about cycling conditions, challenges, and opportunities (outlined in a summary document).
- For future engagement activities, it was suggested that Delta HUB have a small banner to identify themselves; in addition, it is important to have a supply of maps to share and customize (including the new Delta Routes Map, when available).
- **Action:** Delta HUB to send letter of appreciation to the Delta Chamber of Commerce.

**4. UPDATES (Summer 2015):**

Draft Cycling Poster – Delta Agricultural Workers

- Delta HUB has been collaborating on a "Cycling in Delta" poster with the Delta Community Police, ICBC, and HUB Cycling. A draft has been distributed for comment.
- The poster is written in Spanish, and identifies key rules of the road (with graphics). It will be offered to local greenhouses, where it may be incorporated into worker orientation and safety programs.
- It was suggested that copies of the poster also be made available to major local retailers (i.e. Save-on-Foods).
- **Action:** Delta HUB will be review the draft poster with the Delta Community Police (Constable Uppal) at the end of September.

Discussion with CRD re: Lochside/Galloping Goose Regional Trail

- Patrick recently connected with Brad Drew of the Capital Regional District (CRD) about his experience with planning, implementing, and partnering to develop the Lochside and Galloping Goose Trails. He has facilitated the development of trail networks with the CRD since the early 1990's.
- The Lochside Trail begins at the Swartz Bay Terminal and runs to Victoria through a combination of highway road allowances, farm roads, and discontinued railway lines.
- Brad provided some helpful lessons learned from the CRD's experience (including the importance of patience, clarity of vision, and broad stakeholder support).
- He expressed some support for the vision of a similar regional trail network beginning at the Tsawwassen Ferry Terminal.

Delta Routes Map Revision:

- Delta updated Delta HUB on the progress of the new Delta Routes Map Revision.
- The Delta Routes Map is nearly complete. After feedback from many stakeholders, the final map has been simplified to fit within the pocket size foldable format.
- The new mapping information has also been provided to TransLink, which is presently in the process of updating its Metro Vancouver Cycling Map.

### Spot Improvement List:

- The current Spot Improvement List was provided to the Corporation of Delta in May.
- The Engineering Department has notified Delta HUB that they would like to have a follow-up meeting in the upcoming weeks to review progress.
- Delta HUB will continue to build-out a spot improvement list for North Delta, along with new items from the summer.
- **Action:** Any additional suggested improvements or concerns can be sent to Sandra Jones for inclusion in the next update.

### Outreach to Translink (Siding on Westham Island Bridge)

- Over the summer, Delta HUB received information about a couple of cycling incidents on the Westham Island Bridge. In one instance, a hazardous gap in the planks was identified by a cyclist, which was repaired by Translink the following day.
- Delta HUB contacted Translink to enquire about replacing the worn asphalt siding that exists along both sides of the narrow bridge.
- While no timeline was provided for replacing the asphalt siding, Delta HUB has learned that Translink plans to do a study of upgrades needed to maintain the bridge.
- It was noted by a Delta HUB member that the wooden planks on the historic Scotch Creek Bridge (in Shuswap) were completely replaced within the last couple of years.

### 52nd Street/Highway 17 Widening Project

- Delta HUB contacted TFN during the summer to view the detailed design drawing for the Highway 17 Widening Project (a time has not yet been arranged).
- **Action:** Delta HUB to reconnect with TFN, Ivanhoe Cambridge, and MoTI regarding safety conditions for cyclists and others along 52nd Street and Hwy 17.

### SFPR Sweeping

- The SFPR was swept in mid-July.
- Recognizing that some visiting Tour de Delta competitors use the SFPR for training, it was suggested that the SFPR be swept prior to the organized races next year.
- **Action:** Delta HUB will contact Mainland/MoTI and the Corporation of Delta to suggest an organized sweeping before the Tour de Delta.

## **5. COMMITTEE DISCUSSION:**

### Strategic priorities for 2015-2016

- The following were identified as possible priority areas for Delta HUB:
  - 52nd Street/Highway 17 Widening
  - River Road West
  - George Massey Tunnel Replacement
  - North Delta Spot Improvement List

### Ideas for Committee presentations/speakers

- The following were identified as possible speakers or invited guests:
  - Bicycle Planner from the City of Richmond (Joan Caravan)
  - Delta Councillor Jeannie Kanakos (re: cycling in Delta's communities)
  - MLA Vicki Huntington (re cycling in Delta South; Hwy 17 Widening)
  - Ivan and Jackie Chong from Maple Ridge HUB (re: bike farm tours).
  - Ladner Business Association/Tsawwassen BIA (re: the integration of cycling with a local shopping mandate; consultant's Sustainability Report)

- Local cargo utility bike entrepreneur (Duane Laird)
- ICBC (re: community safety and distracted driving)
- Delta Chamber of Commerce

### Ideas for events/activities

- The following were identified as possible events/activities:
  - "Cycle-About" with elected officials, staff, and community members to highlight areas in need of improvement or with significant potential (i.e. River Road West, 52nd Street, East-West connections in North Delta, etc.).
  - South-of-Fraser "Bike Cafe" event (discussion or film presentation relating to cycling/active transportation). This could be a collaboration between Delta HUB and Surrey/White Rock and Langley HUB Committees.
- **Action:** please send Patrick any additional priorities or guest/event ideas for Delta HUB

## **6. OTHER ITEMS:**

### Southlands Bike-In (Sunday, Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>, noon-4pm)

- The Southlands Bike-In will be taking place on Sunday, September 13 (12-4pm).
- Delta HUB has been invited to engage with local cyclists about cycling in the community. We will have a table set up close to the bike valet.
- **Action:** any interested HUB members can join Patrick there anytime after 12 noon.

### Possible Partnership with FVRL and Fraser Health

- Delta HUB will be meeting with Gillian McLeod (FVRL) and Sepia Sharma (Fraser Health) to discuss a possible partnership. The idea is to leverage the library "hubs" in Delta to host workshops for community members on cycling, safety, and health.
- The Surrey library has put on cycling workshops relating to safety and local routes.

### HUB "Ungap the Map" Initiative

- HUB is working on a regional infrastructure prioritization initiative called "Ungap the Map". Through outreach with Local Committees, a list of key projects is being developed for consultation with the Province
- **Action:** interested Delta HUB members can contact Patrick to participate in an upcoming meeting with HUB Cycling to complete the list for Delta.

### HUB Cycling – 2015 Annual General Meeting

- HUB Cycling will have their AGM on Saturday, Sept. 19th.
- The AGM is 1–4 pm at Creekside Community Centre, 1 Athlete's Way, in Vancouver.

### BC Ferries

- Tsawwassen Terminal Manager (David Hamilton) provided Delta HUB with cyclist ridership data for sailings to/from Tsawwassen (2010-2015).
- Translink is undertaking a survey that will incorporate the data that has been provided.

### New Agricultural Signage

- New signage will be installed at key entry points to the Boundary Bay dike (and other locations) to highlight the priority of farming equipment and farming activity in general.
- Conflicts have been reported by farmers - particularly during the harvest season - about a lack of awareness about their need to access the dikes for their farming activities.

### Proposed Delta HUB Delegations (Fall 2015)

- Delta HUB will request to be a delegation at a future Delta Parks & Recreation Commission meeting. The purpose would be to introduce Delta HUB, and discuss strategic initiatives that may be important to the community (for instance, options to improve safe cycling and connectivity along River Road West).
- Delta HUB will also be contacting the Delta School District to be a delegate at their “Delta Green Team” subcommittee this fall.
- **Action:** Patrick will contact both the Delta School District and the Parks & Recreation Committee about receiving Delta HUB as a delegation.

### Volunteer Opening – Delta Parks & Recreation Commission

- It was noted that there is one opening on the Delta Parks & Recreation Commission.
- The deadline for making an application is **Friday, Sept. 11, 2015** (details are available at: [http://www.delta.ca/your-government/news-events/news-releases/2015/08/28/delta-committee-appointments-volunteers-needed?utm\\_source=HootSuite&utm\\_medium=&utm\\_campaign=](http://www.delta.ca/your-government/news-events/news-releases/2015/08/28/delta-committee-appointments-volunteers-needed?utm_source=HootSuite&utm_medium=&utm_campaign=)
- Interested Delta HUB members are encouraged to apply.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm

### **Next Committee Meeting:**

- When: Thursday, October 4th, 2015 at 7pm
- Where: (\*To be confirmed closer to date)