

## Humber Valley Heritage Trail Association

### Bolton Chapter Minutes, February 10, 2016

**Call to order 7:35 pm Present:** Jerry Gorman, Rodney Hautot, Rebecca Petre, Claudio Chiapetta, Cat Cybulski, Diana Kreuzwiesner (guest), Dan Petre (guest) **Excused:** Eric Gunther, Emilia Gal, Sreekanth George, Tina Daalderop

**Invoices/Expenses:** None as Eric is excused.

**Additions to agenda:** Diana's TRCA meeting

**Previous Minutes:** Approved. Moved by Rodney, seconded by Rebecca.

**President's Report (Jerry):** Trailhead signage meeting went well (Jerry, Councillors Jennifer Innis and Nick DeBoer, TRCA Mike Bender and Town staff Brian Baird). Issues discussed were Humber Grove trailhead (at main parking lot), as well as Castlederg and Duffy's Lane trailheads. All agreed that there needs to be clear differentiation at all trailheads so people are aware whether or not the trail is multiuse. This will be in the form of clear signage as well as a trail surface material for multiuse trail heads. TRCA will start work to reconnect the pedestrian trail at the Humber Grove location in 2016, but don't expect it will be open for multiuse until 2018. Trail will not be designated as multiuse until work is completely finished in 2018. New multiuse only trail from under the new bridge, heading west towards Humber Station Road then north to Duffy's Lane will most likely not be open until 2020. Mike Bender promised a follow up meeting with Jerry to discuss trail differentiation further.

Guest speaker for AGM: Karen Hutchinson will be taking on the speaking job on behalf of Carol Good. Subject will still be the Albion Hills Farm. Jerry purchased Nicola Ross' book *Loops and Lattes* on behalf of the HVHTA as a gift for the speaker. Since Karen already has a copy of the book, we need another gift for the speaker. Jerry moves we donate the book as a door prize at the AGM, Claudio seconded.

**Action - Dan:** Create a gift similar to last year's framed photograph.

Jerry has been working on histories of parts of the trail. Glasgow is finished and has been added to the website. He is currently working on an historical geography of Humber Grove.

#### **Directors' Reports:**

**Membership (Cat) -** As of tonight, we have 36 members paid for this year. 4 are brand new members. Cat will deposit cheques in Eric's absence.

**Treasurer (Eric) -** Excused.

**Trail Maintenance (Claudio) -** The signage that he installed at Glasgow in late December had to be moved as someone had come along and cleared away the trail diversion blockage. Claudio moved the sign closer to the entrance of the trail to ensure people are aware that section of the trail is no longer maintained.

**Action - Claudio:** Take the walking trimmer to someone to get a quote for maintenance/repair, and return to executive with a recommendation to fix or dispose of. Make a "wish list" of items that would be useful for trail maintenance.

**Action - Rodney:** Give the go-ahead to the Girl Guides to build the bridge that is needed along trail section 3.

**Communications (Emilia) -** Excused.

### **Unfinished Business:**

- Diana's Meeting with TRCA Mike Bender & Matt Kenel, Councillor Rob Mezzapelli - reported that she attended the meeting on January 19th (see previous minutes for details). She was told that the bottom line is that she can choose to be a part of the stewardship committee or not, however the section of trail in question is no longer under the purview of HVHTA and that it will be multiuse. They also assured her that there will be signs and that cyclists would be trained to use the trail properly. They plan to have stewards of many ages as well as different trail users (cyclists/hikers) who will be looking after the trail. She is now waiting for a call to let her know when the stewardship meeting will be. There appears to be a contradiction about what TRCA wants in terms of "branding" the trail. It was our understanding that the TRCA wanted to take on the management/maintenance of that section of trail but it would remain a part of the Humber Valley Trail in name, however at the meeting with Diana it seems that the TRCA would like to "brand" the trail as their own with signs displaying their information???

- Rotary Gala: Krysta has dropped the cheque off with Eric.(\$1000.00)

- Charitable funds held in trust by TRCA: Jerry has asked Roland for clarification about whether the funds were or were not used by the Kleinburg chapter for hike leader training.

- **Action - Jerry:** Query accuracy of minutes from 2015 joint meeting in regards to the charitable funds.

- **Action - Rodney:** Compose a checklist to help trail auditors know what they should be looking for.

Jerry reports that the "trail closed" signs discussed at last meeting have been installed. Still in progress.

- Dan O'Reilly is still working on the newsletter. Newsletter and notice of AGM to be mailed out by February 29 th.

**Action - Eric:** 2016 Budget (fixed, discretionary, revenue sources) still in progress

### **New Business:**

AGM: Financial audit needs to be completed before the AGM. **Action -** Cat will ask her accountant. If she is not available Jerry will find someone to audit the finances. Eric will be stepping down as treasurer.

**Action - Rodney:** Contact Eric regarding catering the AGM. AGM will start at 7:00pm.

**Action - Jerry:** Approach Richard Hunt regarding nomination committee and administering election at AGM.

Joint Chapter Meeting: Hosted By Bolton Chapter at St. Louis Bar and Grill.

**Action - Rebecca:** Speak at joint meeting about Hike Ontario's Certified Hike Leader training course..

**Action - Rodney:** Check out the menu for a general budget. Let everyone attending know that the meeting will be begin at 7:00pm.

**Meeting adjourned 9:25 pm** – Rodney moved, Claudio seconded

**Next meeting:** March 9, 2016 @ 7:00 pm at St. Louis Bar and Grill, Bolton.