

**Ingersoll Safe Cycling Committee - MINUTES**  
Thursday February 15<sup>th</sup> 2018- Town Hall - JC Hubert Room

**Present:** Randy Lewis- Chair  
Kyle Stefanovic  
Fred Freeman  
Meaghan Lichti  
Brian Petrie  
Sam Horton

**Regrets:** Sandra Lawson  
Jordan Sangers  
Angela Peters

1. **Call to Order** - Chair Randy Lewis - 6:43 pm
2. **Approval of minutes and agenda - 1<sup>st</sup>– Brian Petrie**  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Meaghan Lichti. **CARRIED**
3. **Social Media Update**
  - Let Kyle know what posts we would like posted and he will tell Angela.
  - Get her to post about meetings before hand to hopefully drum up interest.
  - Post on discussion based topics to generate interest. Example 1: Should helmets be mandatory? Post link to coroner’s report. Example 2: What do people think about bike lanes? Cycling through roundabouts
4. **Oxford Update**
  - Vision Zero conference this month safe systems approach to road safety.
  - No cycling advisory committee this month
  - Update on minimum maintenance standards for sidewalks & bike lanes – Sandra to update.
5. **Trail Counters**
  - Where are they? Make a plan for where we should put them.
6. **Bike Helmet Discussion- Coroners Report**
  - 2006-2010
  - All cycling deaths are preventable
  - Mandatory for 18 and under but not currently enforced, there is a discussion in report on this. Discussion with police service board about enforcement.
  - 3 arguments against:
    - 1) Decrease in number of cyclists has since been debunked
    - 2) Government may see helmet law as sole answer (since debunked)
    - 3) Last line of defense after it occurs. How to avoid it from happening won’t need helmets if we can avoid.
  - Need to advocate for implementation and enforcement of mandatory helmets laws similar to Australia. Applaud the government for steps taken so far but stuff still to be done. Updated coroner’s report, been 8 years now. Has things implemented so far resulted in any changes?

## **7. June Bike Month**

- Safety aspect associated with each ride. Ride to Salford for roundabout safety. Ride to Beachville for highway safety. Cycling routes in Oxford County.
- Build up from 5 km ride to 20 km ride.
- Canbike instructor go along to get everyone comfortable?
- Wednesdays popular
- June 2<sup>nd</sup> family bike day also successful.
- Bike repair workshop
- Programming for kids (arts and crafts). Treasure Hunt will use day camp stuff.
- Donating unused bikes.
- Serve Hot Dogs.
- Ride to School challenge popular last year. Talk to Andrea/ Craig.
- Ride to work. What can we do to encourage this? How to track?

## **8. Next Meeting- March 8, 2018**

## **9. Motion to Adjourn- Randy Lewis**