

MINUTES

Leash Free Mississauga Board Meeting

7-9 PM, Oct 1, 2014 - Mississauga Valley Community Centre (1275 Mississauga Valley Blvd),
Program Room 2 (Approved Dec. 3, 2014)

Present: Barbara Hanson, Debra Buckler, Jack Clarke, Dave Carty, Marc Leblanc, Hazel McColl, Michael Wood, Gayle Laws. Antonella Hollett - Toto, Leslie Jamieson, Richard Bramwell,

Regrets: Anne McGivern

Motion: That Debra chair this meeting (Barbara, Dave) Unanimous.

Motion to approve the agenda as amended (Dave. Richard) Carried.

Reports

Zones - **Etobicoke Valley** - no report,

Garnetwood

Motion: That Leslie Jamieson be appointed Acting Zone Rep and we initiate a selection process with Garnetwood members as soon as possible. (Jack, Richard) Unanimous.

Jack Darling - Barbara

Members are organizing a Halloween party for November 1, 10:30-12:30 with the support of Global Pet Foods - Port Credit. With the help of a member, and some suggestions from Frank Buckley we have installed new prototype bag holders that should be stronger and longer lasting than the ones we have been using. Most of the Zone is closed for up to two weeks for repairs but there is a small LF zone near the tennis courts. Dogs are getting cut paws on gravel. Suggest that City make it dog friendly ASAP.

Parkway Belt -

Jack has been talking with a Parkway member Joanne Leal and will ask her if she is willing to stand for Zone Rep.

Lakeside - Jack

Everything is going well. We will be looking for mulch soon. We are having problems with small dogs getting out from the new fence.

Quenippenon Meadows - Richard

There are electric and fence issues. New patio stones have been installed.

A Q member, Kristin Schilling has expressed an interest in being rep. Richard and Jack will see if she is willing to stand.

Totoredaca - Dave

We have some new volunteers and a new board member Marc Leblanc. There is a Halloween party on October 26th with food bank drive. Antonella is a new volunteer who has been helping out. We have completed cleaning out the container. We have had problems with people putting their dog in the park then leaving and returning some time later or putting dogs in the park then sitting in their car while the dog(s) run around unsupervised. Hazel suggested reporting this to animal control.

City - no report

Financial - Debra

Motion: That the financial statement be accepted (Dave, Richard) Unanimous

Motion: That Michael be authorized to replace our web hosting service with a less expensive service. (Barbara, Richard).1 opposed, 6 in favour, abstentions 0, Carried

Approval of Meeting Minutes

That the Sept 3, 2014 Board Meeting minutes be approved as amended (Barbara, Dave) 5 in favour 1 abstention. Carried

Tasks and Division of Labour

Calendar - Jack - It will be ready to sell by 3rd week of October. More sponsors are on board since Sept 3 meeting. Currently we have collected \$5500 in sponsorship. The printing costs will be \$4500. So we are already \$1000 “in the black”. Jack will distribute the calendars.

Motion: That it is OK to use the logo Jack suggested for the 2015 calendar and we will discuss our official logo for LFM at a later date. (Dave, Leslie) 1 abstention 6 in favour. Carried

Jack raised the issue of whether it would be a conflict of interest if he purchased an ad in the calendar. Jack left the room while the board discussed this issue.

Motion: That in order to avoid the appearance of a conflict of interest no board member should advertise their business in the calendar. (Dave, Richard) 4 in favour, 2 opposed 1 abstention.

Carried. Jack Clarke was not present for this vote or the discussion leading up to it and did not vote on the motion.

Purina - Motion: That Debra and Barbara put the Purina donation for 2014 in motion (Richard, Dave) Unanimous

AGM - November 5, 7-9, Mississauga Valley Community Centre, Program Room 2

- Animal Services will be invited to attend and give a 10 minute talk with 5 minutes Q&A following
- Notification of members with will be done ASAP with a request for agenda items
- the Code of Conduct will be presented to members a copy will go out with the AGM notice

Newsletter - Marc will format, - Leslie will collect information to go in the newsletter

- aim for sending it out by Oct 29 to members
- All Zone Reps should send an annual report to Leslie by Oct 22
- Debra and Barbara will write a board report and highlight the 2015 20th anniversary of the first LF access in Mississauga

Corporate Records, Tax Returns and Information Reports for 2009, 2010, 2011, and 2012 have been filed. Barbara thanked Lynne for her invaluable assistance with this. Barbara and Lynne are hoping to have us current for 2013, 2014 soon

Membership - Gayle is entering data, and updating membership form to include code of conduct.

Website

Motion: That all entry codes for the website be given to Marc, the Treasurer and the Secretary (Dave, mike) 6 in favour 1 opposed. Carried.

Communication - info@leashfreemississauga.com Barbara has answered all the pending messages and cleared the backlog in the inbox

Future Meetings

AGM (Nov 5 Agenda items by Sunday October 26, Board Dec 3, board Jan 7)

Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn (Barbara, Dave) Unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 9:04PM