

# LEASH FREE MISSISSAUGA

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## MEETING MINUTES



Wednesday October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Virtual Meeting via Zoom

7:00 PM to 9:00 pm

Board Attendance	Board Member Regrets	Board Member No Regrets/Vacancy	Guests
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Angela Puliyodil – President</li> <li>- Kevin Pullis – Vice President</li> <li>- Rose Shao – Treasurer</li> <li>- Bruce Hunter – Secretary</li> <li>- Hugo Reinoso – IT &amp; Webmaster</li> <li>- Veronica Cheng – Social Media</li> <li>- Ryan Verwymeren – Etobicoke Valley</li> <li>- Carol Mitchell – Parkway Belt</li> <li>- Bob Dowling – Totoredaca</li> <li>- Sue Walsh – Jack Darling</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Shannon Pawlick – Quenippenon</li> <li>- Margaret Hempstead – Garnetwood</li> <li>- Ellen Lockley – Lakeside</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Gayle Laws – Past President</li> <li>- Vacant – Membership and Communications Director</li> <li>- Vacant – Fundraising and Events Director</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Jamie Ferguson, M. Sc., Manager, Park Services   Park Operations, Parks, Forestry, and Environment Division - City of Mississauga</li> </ul>

❖ Call to Order

Meeting to order at 7:05 PM, seconded, with a quorum being present; moved and seconded that the agenda be approved.

❖ Approval of Minutes

The minutes from September 1st, 2021, were reviewed offline, moved and seconded that the minutes be approved.

❖ Constitution updated

- Thank you to all for helping review, correct and finalize updated constitution
- Moved and seconded that the updated Constitution be approved
- The updated Constitution was emailed to Jamie, who will forward to Jocelyn for review
- Jamie advised that Hazel's replacement should be in place by December, and will take over Jamie's role as LFM liaison, transitioning over next few months

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### ❖ Road Signs

- Advised Jamie we are still waiting for city approval
- Jamie received feedback today, Parkway Belt is not within city park land, approval from director of parks, forestry and environment can only happen within park land, need to look at Quenippenon and Jack Darling as well to make sure within park land, not permitted on road allowance, Jamie will send maps of Q park, JD and Toto with park boundaries to select where to put the signs, Parkway Belt may not work because off the main roads, first time Jamie has worked with community group road signs, he will send preapproved road sign location list to Rose, and she will send final message to be on the signs.

### ❖ City of Mississauga: Jamie Ferguson

- Community Group Registry Program – sending Constitution to Jocelyn for review
- No updates yet on Toto construction or back parking lot
- Portapotty at Toto to share with flying club and RC car club, looking at this for next year, with partial pay, taking into account Covid cleaning requirements
- Notice board near back gate Toto to replace board at front during construction, Jamie will put request in to do
- Jack Darling tennis club, someone breaking locks to turn on lights at night; tennis club pays for summer, LFM for winter, no charge to LFM last year as courts kept open over winter, remind JD members and users through social media, etc., the lighting is for the tennis club; it was suggested LFM share cost full year, then locks may not be required
- Jamie asked if there is a new rep for Quenippenon, a member who said he was speaking on behalf of LFM requesting lighting and water from Region of Peel as part of the Ontario Clean Water agency group, also made 311 requests for wood chips, etc.; Q park is leased from Peel by City, so requests should go through Jamie; Jamie wanted to make sure he wasn't a new member of the board, so he will follow up on this; Jamie will provide [president@leashfreemississauga.ca](mailto:president@leashfreemississauga.ca) email address to him
- Paul Coffey park in Malton leash free area being developed, also area at Churchill Meadows Community Centre park 459 being built for next year
- Sign audit still ongoing
- Airfield at Toto is required to ground airplanes if any person or dog walks across, please educate dog owners through social media etc., that this creates issues for flying club members
- Toto reported people coming in Friday and Saturday nights and drinking, leaving empty and broken beer bottles, etc., possible for corporate security to come by at night; Jamie will email security to patrol Toto from 7pm onwards
- Toto asked about the fence around the forest; Jamie said contractor was secured but no timelines available yet
- Kevin asked about the MHS photo op, Jamie said permit needed, to prevent panhandling, need to firm up dates and times and let security know it is an approved activity, send email with park locations etc.
- Jamie please update us on Etobicoke Valley construction, and gates to be repaired

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- ❖ Vacancies
  - Jack Darling – Sue Walsh is new park rep, moved and seconded and approved
  - Volunteer and board member emails received, provide position descriptions, and invite to next meeting
  - Quenippenon – Vacant, Shannon needed to step down
  - Membership and Communications Director At Large – Vacant
  - Fundraising and Events Director At Large – Vacant
  - Young volunteers who need hours may be applying
  - Veronica will continue assisting Hugo with social media
  
- ❖ Hats / Toques
  - Rose will get quote for LFM branded toques
  
- ❖ Membership numbers review
  - Over 12% membership growth over the year, continue to encourage sign ups
  
- ❖ Annual General Meeting planning
  - Zoom format
  - Members only, votes to be counted during meeting
  - Signs to be made up and posted at parks by October 20<sup>th</sup>
  - Email blast will be sent out, social media posts will be done
  
- ❖ Park Rep Updates
  - a) Etobicoke Valley: Ryan: upcoming watermain replacement construction
  - b) Garnetwood: Margaret: regrets; Kevin: back gate to be fixed
  - c) Jack Darling: Sue: no issues
  - d) Lakeside: Ellen: regrets
  - e) Parkway Belt: Carol: no issues
  - f) Q-Park: Shannon: regrets
  - g) Toto: Bob: fill received, woodchips were placed in 2 low spots
  
- ❖ Board Updates:
  - a) President: Angela: preparing AGM update
  - b) Vice President: Kevin: no issues
  - c) Treasurer: Rose: preparing AGM update
  - d) Webmaster: Hugo: no issues
  - e) Social Media: Veronica: no issues

Next Meeting is the Annual General Meeting on Wednesday November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021, at 7pm, board members join at 6:30pm

Meeting adjourned at 8:57pm.

Minutes taken by Bruce Hunter, Secretary