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MEETING MINUTES



Wednesday July 6th, 2022

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"> - Kevin Pullis – Vice President - Bruce Hunter – Secretary - Veronica Cheng – Social Media - Catherine Williams – Etobicoke Valley - Sue Walsh – Jack Darling - Ellen Lockley – Lakeside - Carol Mitchell – Parkway Belt - Bob Dowling – Totoredaca 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Angela Puliyodil – President - Rose Shao – Treasurer - Hugo Reinoso – IT & Webmaster - Edison Qu – Finance volunteer - Rodrigo Sandoval – Membership and Communications - Margaret Hempstead – Garnetwood 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Alice Liu – Fundraising and Events - Vacant – Paul Coffey - Vacant – Quenippenon Meadows 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jenna Prokop, Community Development Coordinator, Community Services Department Park Operations, Parks, Forestry, and Environment Division - City of Mississauga - Daniel Scouten - Laurie Usypchuk and Alan Attar

- ❖ Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 7:05pm and seconded.
- ❖ Introductions: Laurie Usypchuk and Alan Attar, Quenippenon candidates, and Daniel Scouten, Paul Coffey candidate
- ❖ Apologies and Regrets: Angela Puliyodil – President, Rose Shao – Treasurer, Edison Qu – Finance volunteer, Alice Liu – Fundraising and Events, Hugo Reinoso – IT & Webmaster, Veronica Cheng – Social Media, Rodrigo Sandoval – Membership and Communications, Margaret Hempstead – Garnetwood, Sarah Craig – Quenippenon
- ❖ Quorum
There being 7 of 13 or 54% directors present, more than minimum 2/5th or 40% directors in attendance, a quorum was declared at 7:08pm.
- ❖ Minutes from June 1st, 2022, Board Meeting
Moved and seconded at 7:08pm that the minutes be approved.
- ❖ Agenda
Moved and seconded at 7:08pm that the agenda be approved.
- ❖ Mississauga Security Services: no show

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City of Mississauga – Jenna Prokop:

- Etobicoke Valley
 - Updates about Region of Peel, East Trunk Sanitary Sewer Offline Storage Facility, Project Number 18-2441, planned start late 2022
 - Project tendered, contract awarded, possible early August, update next meeting
 - No temporary park during construction, alternate parks will be posted during construction
- Garnetwood
 - Approval received to move shed away from back gate corner where lawnmower comes in, getting hit and knocked around by lawnmowers, to platform beside willow tree update, work order has been put in
 - Mulch has been delivered to cover of 2 big muddy pools back by the trees
- Jack Darling
 - Construction Project Number: 22-1408 - Emergency Watermain Repair has been completed
- Lakeside: nothing to report
- Parkway Belt
 - Fencing quote approved around pool of muddy water south side, budget approved, 2 weeks to complete, will provide update
 - Boulders in parking lot that were moved have been put back into place
 - Parking lot needs lines to be repainted
 - Gates were checked and fine
 - Pebbles covering mud between inner and outer gates always get washed out onto pathway during rains by water running out of park, possible to use pavers instead
 - Jenna will review with supervisor
 - Jenna will follow up on faded street signs
- Quenippenon
 - Water source work order created for staff to plan creating water line, create project scope
 - Move gate to north pathway and chicken wire fence work approved and to be scheduled, being prioritized by Jamie's team, no update yet
 - Newer benches and tables not done yet, Volunteers may put unsafe bench outside the park
 - Fence repair outstanding, dogs can escape
 - Parking lot has deep ruts, could damage cars, belongs to region, Jenna will contact
- Totoredaca
 - **Lenanese Festival** Friday July 15th 5pm to Sunday July 17th 8pm, limited parking
 - <https://sites.google.com/view/st-charbel-lebfest2022>
 - Planned watermain replacement, Project Number 15-1138, no update yet regarding front parking lot construction from Region of Peel, planned start late 2022, new notice board at back gate on supervisors list to do when project begins
 - Remaining trees in back forested area to be cut down, pushed back, waiting for update

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- Requested meeting with supervisors for gates, sanitation, grass cutting and security
- Paul Coffey
 - Benches inside park still awaiting, 1 bench was outside the gate, but has disappeared
 - there is infestation of thorny weeds, possibly thistles, possible to reduce these please
 - Signage to park will be installed as park development progresses
 - Shed needed
- Wind / sun shelters, no update yet, park planning and development teams, benchmarking
 - Jenna has put together benchmarking of wind shelters from surrounding communities, sent to director and Jamie, waiting for feedback
- Jamie, Jenna and other staff are reviewing the Leash-Free policy, once update draft completed, will be reviewed with us before going to City Council
- Virtual Town Hall organized by Ward 7 Councillor Dipika Damerla on Thursday July 21/22 at 7-8:30pm to see details of the **proposed leash free dog park at Huron Park** and give your feedback
 - RSVP at <https://www.dipikadamerla.ca/events>

❖ Vacancies

- Paul Coffey Park Rep
 - Daniel Scouten, lives in Toronto and goes to Paul Coffey
 - Board voted unanimously in favour for Daniel to be Paul Coffey Park Rep
 - Welcome to the board Daniel!
- Quenippenon Park Rep
 - We are all very sorry to see Sarah Craig leave, thanks for serving on the board since November 2021 and everything!
 - Laurie Usypchuk assisted by Alan Attar have stepped forward, and live in Mississauga
 - Board voted unanimously in favour for Laurie to be Quenippenon Park Rep, assisted by Alan
 - Welcome to the board Laurie!
- Fundraising and Events Director
 - Previous Director failed to attend last 4 consecutive meetings without a suitable reason, has been given 14 days notice, and shall be deemed to have resigned, per Constitution, Article 8, Section 5, Subsection 2.
 - Board voted unanimously in favour of declaring the volunteer position open and posting notices to fill the vacancy

❖ Park Rep Updates

- a) Etobicoke Valley: Catherine:
 - DogPack poster can be ordered through the app in the Store section for free
 - Will try to attend Huron Park town hall
- b) Garnetwood: Margaret: regrets

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- c) Jack Darling: Sue:
 - Grass cutting done in paths on 2nd and 3rd levels instead of entire area, some users grumble about the long grass due to ticks
 - Gate issues at entrance near washrooms, not closing properly
 - Lots of kids at the park, do others experience same
- d) Lakeside: Ellen:
 - Park is ok
 - Following up with Purina for grant cheque
- e) Parkway Belt: Carol: no issues, happy to be getting fence work done
- f) Paul Coffey: Daniel:
 - seeing more attendance
 - needs weeds, holes, concrete chunks taken care of
 - needs shed, bulletin board, water eventually
 - investigating if water might be available at tennis club
- g) Quenippenon: Laurie:
 - Spraying by city dramatically improved gypsy moth situation
 - Mulch deliveries continue to be made in locations outside the park, creates extra work manual labour for members to move mulch inside
 - Looking forward to getting chicken wire fence replaced and gates moved
 - One bench is unsafe and will be moved outside
 - Fence repair needed where dogs can escape
 - Shed has sunk down into ground, unable to open in the winter, needs to be raised up, and needs new hinges
 - Mulch deliveries and volunteer spreading has greatly reduced mud during bad weather
- h) Totoredaca: Bob:
 - Requested 2 loads of fill to fix holes
 - Would like to be notified when city staff visit to meet in person, including forestry, grass-cutting, gates, and security
 - Parking issues during upcoming festival

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❖ Board Updates

- President – Angie: regrets
- Vice President – Kevin: no other updates
- Treasurer – Rose: regrets
- Financial update – Edison: regrets
 - will do YTD donations and expenses next month
- Fundraising and Events – vacant
- Membership and Communications – Rodrigo: regrets
- IT and Website – **Hugo**: regrets
 - **Please check email forwarding from website**, Bob still not receiving
- Social Media – Veronica: will post vacancy notice

❖ Membership list: Bruce will prepare and send out an updated membership list

❖ DogPack app

- See April 6/22 Minutes for DogPack app presentation and information

Next Meeting is the August Board Meeting on Wednesday August 3rd, 2022, at 7pm.

Meeting adjourned at 8:24pm.

Minutes taken by Bruce Hunter, Secretary.