

**Leaside Memorial Community Gardens
Board of Management Meeting Minutes
February 26, 2025 @ 7:15pm by Zoom and in-person**

Minutes #844

Attendees: Matt Baker (Chair) (by Zoom), Edmund Chan (Treasurer), Janice Ivory-Smith (Chair, Operations/Community Relations Committee), Glenn Asano, Kathleen Mackenzie, Lisa Villeneuve (by Zoom), Shawn Mackay (LMCG Management), Jennifer Smith (LMCG Management), Robert Mitic, (PF&R Representative) (by Zoom),

Regrets: Lani Uyeno, Dan Teguh, Councillor Rachel Chernos Lin,

Call to Order:

Mr. Baker called the meeting to order at 7:20PM

Request for Conflict of Interest

- No conflicts declared.

Adoption of Minutes of Prior Meeting

- Mr. Baker called for any questions on, or corrections to, the minutes of the board meeting held January 22, 2025.

Motion to approve the Board of Management meeting minutes from January 22, 2025. Moved by
Ms. Mackenzie and seconded by Mr. Chan.

CARRIED

Report of the Chair

- Mr. Baker provided an update on the management objectives and advised that the completed versions were available to board members in the documents on Google Drive. (Ms. Smith relocated the file to the February folder.)

Report of the Treasurer and Director of Business & Finance

- Mr. Chan presented the 2023 audited financials.

Motion to accept the audited 2023 financial statements moved by Mr. Chan and seconded by
Ms. Ivory-Smith.

CARRIED

- Ms. Smith summarized the January financial results.

Motion to receive the January 2025 monthly financial reports moved by Mr. Chan and seconded by
Ms. Ivory-Smith.

CARRIED

- Mr. Chan shared information related to our cashflow report and the significant cash position in our operating account which will be sustained over the course of the fiscal year. It was recommended that we move funds into a flexible GIC to earn interest, and the board agreed with this recommendation. Ms. Smith to provide Mr. Chan and the finance committee with further details on GIC options prior to a purchase decision.

Report of the Director of Operations.

- Mr. Mackay brought the board up to date on the possibility of job action by local 79, which represents our part time staff. The board discussed the scenarios around maintaining ice operations, pool openings, and the banquet hall and snack bar. Deadline for strike action is March 8th.

Report of the Chair of the Operations and Community Relations Committee.

- Ms. Ivory-Smith advised that the Leaside Historical Preservation Society was interested in securing space behind the door into Rink A. It was agreed that any decisions on allocation of wall space should be tabled until the completion of the capital project.
- Mr. Asano advised he had received an email from a community member enquiring about the possibility of pickle ball courts at LMCG, possibly on the back lawn. As the ownership and stewardship of that parcel of land is the subject of much confusion at the City, it was agreed that this is an out of scope consideration for LMCG.

New Business

- Ms. Mackenzie indicated that the Safety Committee would be meeting to discuss upgrading the boards and glass on the Bert Grant rink during the capital project. Ms. Mackenzie also advised that a current statement of account for the Safety Fund was now in hand.

Next Meeting

The next board meeting to be held March 26, 2025.

Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:23PM, moved by Mr. Chan, seconded by Mr. Asano.

CARRIED