

**Lakeshore Heights Association  
Annual Spring Meeting Minutes**

Sunday May 19, 2024

Recorded by Louise LaFleche

1. Glenn called the meeting to order at 11:05. He introduced the executive, Stefano, Ken, Heather and Réal and talked about each person's role.

Stefano Bevilacqua (past president) – Board nominations, Communications and Membership Coordinator.

Ken Jansen – (VP) Major projects Coordinator, Assets and parks upkeep and beautification.

Heather Lowe – (VP) Events Coordinator.

Real Hince – (Treasurer) – Banking, books, financial controls.

Glenn Bunston (President) – Liaison with Municipality, planning, issue management, meetings and facilitating the good work of the rest of the board. Promotion of good citizenship.

Vacant – (Secretary) - member meeting announcements and meeting minutes.

Glenn also discussed the role of the association; plan community building events, maintenance and beautification of parks and public spaces, lobbying the municipality. He also outlined what was not part of the scope of the association responsibilities: police and bylaw matters, animal control, roads, ditches, waste and beaches. For disputes between neighbours the Community Resolution Center can help mitigate disagreements.

By Law enforcement- 204-482-3300, Animal control - 204-809-3231 after hours for both; Prairie by law enforcement dispatch, 204-809-3231. Police, fire and ambulance - 911. Community Resolution Center - 204-925-3410.
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New attendees at the meeting were welcomed.

2. Approval of minutes from the Fall 2023 meeting.  
Glenn asked if all had read the minutes and if there were any questions.  
Brian proposed the minutes be accepted as read,  
Seconded by Boris,  
All in favor, the minutes are officially accepted.

3. Glenn gave the president's update. The board has met several times since the fall meeting. A new grill has been purchased for community events as well as a 20 X 10 shade structure.

Bears have been active in the area, please put bird feeders away during this time to avoid attracting bears, remember to store all waste in a secure location. The fire threat had been high at the start of the season, the recent rains have reduced the threat. Please consider following St. Clement's Connect to stay informed.

Go to the St. Clements Website and register for St. Clements Connect.  
[rmofstclements.com](http://rmofstclements.com)

A reminder that volunteers are always welcome for events, let us know if you are interested.

The East Beaches booklet that was distributed to each cottage has an article featuring Lakeshore Heights on page 74, thanks to the author and the contributors.

The membership fee remains unchanged for 2024 at \$20 per property. The board is exploring raising the fee to \$25 starting in 2025. The community will be consulted during the summer and a recommendation will be presented for the members consideration at the fall 2024 meeting.

4. Ken started his update as the coordinator of projects by thanking the volunteers who helped make the new play structure project a success. For this season, the sand at the playgrounds has been ploughed, a new volleyball net has been installed, some new lines will be painted at the basketball court, the small library needs a few repairs and will be set up soon.

The main beach stairs need some maintenance to ensure better access to the beach. Volunteers are needed Monday morning at 10 am to help gather stones and rocks to build a base that will enable access for this year. The board is examining possibilities for a new pad at the bottom of the stairs as well as lighter stairs for the final flight that are pulled up each winter. Greg has helped to reinforce the main structure, thank you.

The grass at the main park was damaged by vehicles this winter accessing the lake. If you were responsible for the damage, possibly you would consider adding top soil and grass seed.

The horseshoe pits are set up. The benches at the covered structure park were installed and rearranged. Elaine Rainor donated funds for one of the benches in memory of her husband Keith, the family as also donated funds for new swings next to the new playground.

The new swing will be installed during the summer. Thanks to Réal, Herb, Doug and Judy for the help in installing the benches.

5. Edith thanked Ken for the work and time he gives to the community.
  
6. Stefano presented an update of the membership. 210 memberships were paid in 2023, out of a possible 288 properties. The best year was 2015 when 229 memberships were paid. The fee remains at \$20 for the 2024 season, lets try to beat the 2015 record!

Membership is open to permanent or seasonal residents of Lakeshore Heights (as determined by our constitution.)

Memberships can be paid in a variety of ways:

Cash, cheque, e-transfer, or PayPal. Street reps will be going door to door to collect the fees in May & June.

The street reps are:

West Street - Cory, Doug, Glenn, Neil, Pam

Lakeview Rd and Bay – Real

South Ave and Bay – Stefano

East St – Kris

North Drive – Janet

Bayview – Louise

Beach Blvd., Emerald Bay and Evergreen Bay – Lucille

Communications Report:

- Lakeshore Heights Facebook page is a good source of information about upcoming community events.
- Members will also receive e-mail notifications regarding events and meetings. Please ensure that the association has your correct e mail.
- Information is also available on one of the three bulletin boards in the community.

7. Heather provided an update on Events for the 2024 season. She reminded members to check the Facebook page, the Lakeshore Heights website and the bulletin boards in order to keep up to date. There will be no less than 13 events over the summer with something for everyone so mark your calendars!

All events in the community are hosted by a volunteer and a team of volunteers who help ensure the events run smoothly.

- June 22 - Community Yard Sale from 9:00 to 1:00. Edith will be hosting the event. She will be posting signs advertising the event. If you wish to participate, set up your sale in your yard. You are welcome to set up at the covered structure if you feel your street will have less traffic. There is no rain date, the event will occur rain or shine.
  - June 29 - Volleyball tournament hosted by Ken. Teams are 4 to 6 participants. It is a fun day with hot dogs, drinks and music. Teams will be registered the day of the event. Registration is at 10:00 am with games starting at 11:00 am.
  - July 6 - Family picnic at 11:00 am. Heather is hosting the event, volunteers are needed to cook the hot dogs and distribute the drinks and chips.
  - July 20 - The first Island Lakes vs Lakeshore Heights Horseshoe tournament will be hosted by the Island Lakes Community. More information will be posted closer to the event.
  - August 2 - Trivia Night, hosted by Lindsay and Ainslie at the covered structure, time to be confirmed.
  - August 3 - Halloween in August hosted by Heather. Members are encouraged to set up at the main beach if they are from more secluded areas.
  - August 4 - Pancake breakfast will be hosted by Jade and Michael
  - August 4 - Horseshoe tournament hosted by Lindsay and Ainslie. Specific times for the events will be communicated to the members in July.
  - August 10 - Children's mini golf tournament hosted by Heather, time TBD.
  - August 10 - Adult golf tournament and dinner hosted by Cory and Clay.
  - August 30 - Trivia Night, hosted by Lindsay and Ainslie at the covered structure, time to be confirmed
  - August 31 - Adult mini golf tournament will be held and will be hosted by Heather.
  - Community bi-weekly bike rides hosted by Glenn and Ted starting May 25th weather permitting. The group meets at the main beach at 10:00 am.
8. Finance. Réal distributed the financial statements for 2023 and the 2024 budget and presented both documents. He outlined that the main source of revenue is the membership fees. Last year the big project was the playground, this year the swings and installation will be the main project. The association likes to keep a minimum of \$1,000 in the bank to cover unforeseen expenses.

Donations are always welcome, more projects are always anticipated, for example, the stairs at the main beach, an accessible path for the covered structure and a bike rack at the covered structure.

A question was asked about grants from the municipality, this is being pursued by the board to cover costs associated with a path to the covered structure. The recent purchases, the grill and canopy have been paid for.

Réal proposed the adoption of the budget for 2024.

Judy seconded, all in favor, no one abstained or opposed.

9. New business, Glenn explained that Valley Fibre in moving forward with installation in our community they anticipate having service in the fall. No questions were posed at this time.
10. Judy proposed the close of the meeting at 12:00