



URA Annual General Meeting Minutes
November 06, 2023
Unionville Train Station

URA Directors:

Donna Day, Mary Caporusso, Peter Miasek, Michael Gannon, Gene Genin, Jóska Zérczi, Roland Hosein and Daniela Ghiculete.

Elected Officials:

Councillor: Reid McAlpine

Attendance:

Approximately twenty-seven members and guests.

Call to Order & President's Introduction

URA president, Michael Gannon called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm. Michael welcomed members, guests, and elected officials.

1. Approval of 2022 Annual General Meeting (AGM) Minutes

The November 07, 2022, meeting minutes were distributed prior to the meeting. Members did not have additions or changes so the meeting minutes stand approved as read.

2. President's Report

In his annual report Michael thanked the members, Councillors and Board Members for contributing to URA's 2023 accomplishments. Specifically, Michael profiled key accomplishments such as the hosting of the municipal election candidates' meetings and URA's impact on development projects such as Scardred, Main Street redevelopment, the Markville secondary plan and the build out proposal for Markville mall. The URA settled three development cases (Scardred, Aryeh and 28 Main) at the Ontario Land Tribunal. Rounding out the year, the URA lobbied to restore the Thursday Night Bandstand event and built community awareness at the Unionville Festival.

3. Treasurer’s Report

Treasurer, Donna Day provided the following highlights for the 2022 fiscal period ending on August 31, 2023.

Fiscal 2022

Revenue was:

- \$1,380
 - membership fees (cash and net-PayPal)

Expenses were:

- \$2,294
 - Web hosting, mailbox rental, director’s insurance, video conferencing, printing, festival booth

Bank Balance:

- \$4,897 as of September 1, 2023

Comments:

- Assuming nine monthly member meeting room rentals, stable membership renewal rates, no virtual Zoom meetings, expense increases of 5% annually and no unforeseen expenses, assume 10 years operating funds remaining.
- After analyzing the revenue/expenditure history over the past 5 years, we anticipate an annual shortfall in the range of \$250-\$500 moving forward.
- Given the expected shortfall, the next board will evaluate the shortfall to see what steps need to be taken and discuss with members at an upcoming meeting.

4. Membership Report

Membership Director, Donna Day, provided the following membership status as of August 31, 2023:

<i>Year</i>	<i>2022</i>	<i>Increase/(Decrease)</i>
Paid Memberships	78	7
Subscribers	378	8
Total	456	15

Comments:

- Paid memberships remained relatively stable in 2023. But as a reminder, this is our only source of revenue, and we depend on this support to cover our expenses.
- Overall, we have increased our total numbers of subscribers by 3.4% compared to 2022.
- Our next membership drive will be held in January, so stay tuned for more communications in the new year.

5. Constitutional Amendments

The members voted to amend the clause pertaining to directorship eligibility.

The clause: “a director must be a voting member for a minimum one year period prior to being elected” to be changed to “a director must be a paid-up voting member of the URA prior to being elected”.

Motion to adopt amendment made by Mike Gannon.
Seconded by Mary Caporusso.

Vote for: Eleven. Vote against: One.

Motion carried.

6. Election of 2023-24 Directors

The Election Committee confirmed the current Board of Directors’ interest to stand for re-election with the exceptions of Jeffrey Taylor.

The Election Committee, chaired by Harry Eaglesham, nominated the following URA members to be elected to the Board of Directors: Peter Miasek, Donna Day, Gene Genin, Jóska Zérczi, Michael Gannon, Mary Caporusso, Roland Hosein, Daniela Ghiculete and Sandra Tam.

Harry asked if anyone else from the floor, wished to stand for election. No other candidates came forward. By a unanimous show of hands Harry declared that the slate of nominees will constitute URA’s Board of Directors for fiscal 2023-2024.

Motion to adopt proposed slate of candidates made by Harry Eaglesham.
Seconded by Geoff Pyne.

Vote for: Twelve. Vote against: None

Motion carried.

7. Filling Open Director Roles Throughout the Year

In response to a question from the floor, the members voted to add the following clause pertaining to filling of open directorship positions throughout the year:

“For 2024, the Board of Directors can fill open director roles by nominating candidates for an approval vote by the membership subject to eligibility requirements per Article III Clause 2.”

Motion to adopt clause made by Peter Miasek.
Seconded by Donna Day.

Vote for: Twelve. Vote against: None

Motion carried.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.