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The Communities Committee of the Toronto Community Housing Corporation met on Thursday, March 17, 2005 in the Ground Floor Boardroom, 931 Yonge Street.

Members Present:

Ms. Penny Milton, Chair
Ms. Mariam Adam
Mr. Cliff Martin
Mr. David Mitchell

Regrets:

Councillor Olivia Chow
Councillor Paula Fletcher

Also Present:

Mr. Derek Ballantyne, CEO
Ms. Eileen Carroll VP Corporate Planning & Performance
Ms. Terry Skelton
Ms. Yvonne Ferrier
Councillor Norm Kelly

Deputants:

Constable Dave Mansfield 42 Division
Ms. Veronica Herring, tenant, Lawrence Gallery
Ms. Leah Brown, tenant, Birchmount/Finch

Ms. Penny Milton assumed the Chair and called the meeting to order at 2:15 p.m. Elora Nichols served as recording secretary.

Declarations of Interest in Matters before the Board

None were declared.

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Approval of Agenda

The Agenda was approved.

ITEM 1 COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE
ORIENTATION/WORKPLAN (CC:2005-03)

The Communities Committee had before it the above-captioned report (CC:2005-03) from the Chief Executive Officer, recommending that the Communities Committee receive the report for discussions and forward to the Board of Directors for information.

ON MOTION MADE by Mr. David Mitchell,
seconded by Cliff Martin, the Communities
Committee received the report for discussion
and recommended it be forwarded to the Board
of Directors for information.
Motion carried.

ITEM 2 AGENT OF LANDLORD - TRESPASS TO PROPERTY UPDATE
(CC:2005:02)

The Communities Committee had before it the above-captioned report (CC:2005-02) from the Chief Executive Officer, recommending that the Communities Committee receive the report and forward to the Board of Directors for information.

ON MOTION MADE by Mr. Cliff Martin,
seconded by Ms. Mariam Adam, the
Communities Committee moved to hear the
deputants.
Motion carried.

Deputations:

Constable Dave Mansfield 42 Division, has spent 33 years working as a community officer in community housing. On January 12, 2005 Toronto Police Services were notified that TCHC was rescinding notice of trespass. TCHC is now issuing this type of authorization only on a case by case basis and for limited periods of time. Constable Mansfield believes that the authority to enforce the Trespass to Property Act on behalf

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of the TCHC should be extended to the Toronto Police Services automatically as in the past.

Veronica Herring, tenant, Lawrence Gallery

Ms. Herring has been a resident for 14 years, she said tenants were not aware of the withdrawal of Trespass to Property Act, she heard about it on the radio. She feels the permanent Trespass to Property Act is very important to her community it's the reason they got rid of a lot of problems within her building.

Ms. Leah Brown tenant, Birchmount/ Finch

Ms. Brown has been a resident for 25 years and is in favour of Trespass to Property Act in her building. There are non-residents who come onto the property and use it for their own activities; it would be difficult to get rid of them if the trespass act was removed. She would like the trespass act kept in place to keep the community safe.

Councillor Kelly would like his communities to continue to get police protection.

The Chair thanked the deputants on behalf of the Communities Committee.

ON MOTION MADE by Mr. Cliff Martin, seconded by Ms. Mariam Adam, the Communities Committee made a motion as follows:

“(1)that Agent of Landlord Status Letters be extended to all divisions of Toronto Police Services for TCHC locations for an unlimited time and only withdrawn for abuse or when there appears to be no requirement and that CHU's or communities can opt out of the blanket approval if they don't find it appropriate.”

RECORDED VOTE	
FOR	AGAINST
Mr. Cliff Martin	Mr. David Mitchell
Ms. Mariam Adam	Ms. Penny Milton

In the case of equal votes, the Chair is entitled to a second or casting vote.

Ms Penny Milton voted against and the motion failed.

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ON MOTION MADE by Mr. David Mitchell, seconded by Ms. Mariam Adams, the Communities Committee received the report and recommended it be forwarded to the Board of Directors for information.
Motion carried.

ITEM 3 **2004 FOURTH QUARTER PERFORMANCE REPORT
– COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE (CC:2005-04)**

The Communities Committee had before it the above-captioned report (CC:2005-04) from the Chief Executive Officer, recommending that the Communities Committee receive the report for information and forward to the Board of Directors through the submission of the 2004 4th Quarter Performance report.

ON MOTION MADE, the Communities Committee received the report receive the report for information and recommended it be forwarded to the Board of Directors through the submission of the 2004 4th Quarter Performance report.
Motion carried.

ITEM 4 **PROPOSED COMMUNITIES MEETING DATES 2005
(CC:2005-01)**

The Communities Committee had before it the above-captioned report (CC:2005-01) from the Chief Executive Officer, recommending that the Communities Committee meet on the following dates at 9:30 a.m.

Thursday May 5, 2005
Thursday July 14, 2005
Tuesday, October 4, 2005
Tuesday, November 29

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ON MOTION MADE, the Communities Committee received the report receive the report for information.
Motion carried

The Chair may call additional meeting dates.
The Secretary will circulate the meeting dates to members of the Committee for approval.

IN CAMERA PROCEEDINGS:

ON MOTION MADE, Ms. Mariam Adam, seconded by Mr. David Mitchell, the Communities Committee resolved to meet *in camera* to consider item 5.

PUBLIC PROCEEDINGS:

At 5:04 pm, the Chair announced the resumption of the public proceedings and the public meeting reconvened at that time.

ON MOTION MADE by Mr. David Mitchell, seconded by Ms. Miriam Adam, the Board of Directors ratified the actions authorized during the "*in camera*" meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting of the Communities Committee was adjourned at 5:05p.m.

Secretary

Chair