

Westworth United Church Council Meeting
233rd Council Meeting
June 23, 2020
7:00 pm via Zoom

Attendance: Eunice Pratt, Acting Chair, Loraine MacKenzie Shepherd, Ron Bailey, Keith Love, Bruce Tefft, Paul Chard, Barb Magarrell

Regrets: Pat Stephenson

1. **Call to order:** Meeting called to order at 7:11 p.m. by Eunice Pratt.

2. **Moment of Prayer/Check in:** led by Loraine MacKenzie Shepherd

3. **Approval of Agenda:**

MOTION: That the Agenda be approved.

Moved by: Keith Love

Seconded by: Bruce Tefft

CARRIED

4. **Approval of May 26, 2020 Minutes:**

MOTION: That the minutes of the May 26, 2020 meeting be approved as distributed.

Moved by: Eunice Pratt

Seconded by: Bruce Tefft

CARRIED

5. **Approval of June 16, 2020 Minutes**

These minutes will be carried forward to our next meeting.

6. **Correspondence:**

- We have been notified by Lynne Sanderson that our covenant with the Prairie to Pine Regional Council has been accepted as submitted and will be part of the covenant between pastoral charges and the Regional Council.

7. **Business Arising:**

- The supplier of our water cooler has been requested to remove the cooler and water.
- It has been recommended that the oldest refrigerator in the lower kitchen be updated to save energy. (Stephen Collette, October 2019 Energy Audit). It was decided that this replacement will be considered in 2021 following consultation with UCW and the Community Care Ministry Team.

- Windows Project. Ron Bailey presented information on the progress of the window project. The Winnipeg Foundation is not able to support this project given so many emergency requests. The window replacement and protections are possible given the funds we currently have available. It has been recommended by the supplier that we consider a vinyl film finish to colour the windows on the north side of the sanctuary. Some extra information about this finish is needed, but Council decided that if we choose the vinyl, colours similar to those currently in the glass are to be used. Spencer Newton, Frank Wynes, and Loraine MacKenzie Shepherd and Jeff Kremer will be consulted regarding final colours and textures. Ron Bailey will submit an information note for the congregation regarding this project. There is some flexibility in the price. Ron Bailey will speak with the sales representative.

Motion: That we accept the quote of May 28, 2019, received from Pioneer Window and Door for the replacement of glass in the windows on the north side of the sanctuary and repair and protection of the windows in the chapel, and give direction for Pioneer Window and Door to go forward with the job at a cost of \$51,461.63 (Fifty-one thousand, four hundred and sixty-one dollars and sixty-three cents).

Moved by: Ron Bailey **Seconded by:** Bruce Tefft

CARRIED

8. Committee and Team Reports

- Westworth Redevelopment Ad Hoc Committee updates
Bruce Tefft will act as Chair. He reminded us of the four essential functions for the building as identified at the Leadership Team retreat. He recommends that the Leadership Team consider what additional functions the congregation would deem essential to its life. It was suggested that the Leadership Team could meet the people involved in the proposal for the redevelopment of our property at the next retreat.
- The St. Andrews River Heights/Westworth Joint Committee are still looking for a date to get together. This group will be chaired by Norene Mian from St. Andrews.
- Safe Re-opening Ad Hoc Committee updates.
The Terms of Reference for this Committee are attached to these Minutes. Maggie Barnett will be available for consultation on Christian Education concerns. Karla Farstad has offered to be a member. The first meeting will be

Thursday, June 25 and they will focus, first, on determining the readiness of the congregation to return. Members are: George Nyman, Teresa Stzaba, Eunice Pratt (Council Rep.), Loraine MacKenzie Shepherd, Diane Riordan, Paul Chard, and Karla Farstad. Loraine MacKenzie Shepherd will email the members to notify them of this meeting. Our thanks to Pat Stephenson, Barb Magarrell and Eunice Pratt for creating the Terms of Reference.

Motion: That the Safe Re-opening Ad Hoc Committee Terms of Reference be accepted.

Moved by: Paul Chard

Seconded by: Keith Love

CARRIED

- Finance Committee
Ron Bailey and Jenny Jeffers will participate in the national church Zoom call regarding church finances. The Federal Government has expanded their loan program to include churches. Ron hopes to find out more about the program. We have received subsidy payments through the CEWS program to assist us with staff salaries under the 75% wage subsidy category.
- Minister's Report
Loraine MacKenzie Shepherd has received a \$5,000.00 grant from the United Church Foundation to assist with the expenses related to the publishing of a report based on her research on Thriving Churches. The grant is being deposited to Westworth United Church.

9. New Business – none at this time

10. Important Dates: **Next Council Meeting Date:** July 21, 2020, 7 p.m., to consider the building re-opening recommendations and the Leadership Team Fall Retreat

11. Closing Prayer: Loraine MacKenzie Shepherd

12. Adjournment:

MOTION: That this meeting be adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

Moved by: Keith Love