

Woodlawn Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, December 14th, 2022

PRESENT: Barry Zwicker, Rev. Dale, Ivan Richardson, Teri Giannou, Rev. Mary Lynne, Paul Whyte, Keith Musselman, Fay Gunter, Jerry Jackson, Jim Allen, Lisa Webb, Brian Moors.

REGRETS: Shelley Clee. As a result of Shelley's absence Barry looked for a volunteer to take minutes. Jerry was Voluntold...I mean volunteered.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

OPENING PRAYER: The opening prayer was offered by Barry Zwicker

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS: No Announcements

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The agenda was approved with the following changes:
As a result of priority issues on the agenda, Barry requested we change the agenda as follows:

1. Budget
2. Transition Team Update,
3. M & P Committee Members Update
4. Trustee Update on our Furnace Situation.

If time permits the other agenda items would be discussed. Agreed by all.

TIME OF ADJOURNMENT: 9:00 PM

CORRESPONDENCE: No correspondence.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: Minutes of previous meeting (November) were approved.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Budget: Ivan presented Budget info as circulated. There was much discussion. Property Insurance for 2023 to be adjusted from \$10,000 to \$12,320. Going forward it was suggested a line item be included into the budget showing our Solar Recovery costs. Discussion. Ivan agreed to have the amount at the ready for anyone who asked for it. There was discussion about the \$900 for pulpit supply. Brian Moors suggested this item would need to be adjusted up, as Rev. Mary Lynne will be taking a Sabbatical in 2023. Based on estimates and figures we have at this point, we will have a deficit of (\$26,500) Discussion about fundraising ideas to cover our 2023 deficit. Keith indicated our long range planning had to address expenses, if revenues don't increase. Brian Moors advised that Stewardship is looking into fundraising

ideas. He said we are a giving congregation. It is important our messages and suggestions to the congregation be positive ones. It was suggested we come up with a fundraising idea: determine the amount we wish to raise and include it as a line item in the 2023 budget. Keith suggested Council meet again in January to discuss and flush out the budget further. All agreed.

2. Transition Team Update: Rev. Dale presented the update. Barry asked when the Governance Document, with its revisions will be brought back to Council. It will be on the agenda for the January meeting. Discussion around the timeline to complete the Transition Teams work. Rev. Dale reported members of the Transition Team are anxious to complete their work. It is hoped we have our report and recommendations and suggestions ready to submit before September 2023
3. M&P Committee Members Update. Rev. Dale confirmed Kevin will be staying on as a Member. He was not ready to disclose names yet, but indicated he had one other person ready to commit. One other individual remains a hopeful. Rev. Dale indicated he will be training any new M&P Members. Region offers resources to help accomplish this. He hopes to be able to update Council at our January meeting on this matter.
4. Furnace in Heritage Centre: Trustees reported on the Furnace issues. Jim Allen spoke to this matter. There was correspondence to the chair of Council from Jim. (See attached) Jim did a lot of work, saving the church a considerable amount of money. A new boiler cost us approx. \$4,000 dollars. (It could have been considerably more) The old boiler will serve as a back up. Council expressed their thanks to Jim for his efforts. Jim also reported the handrail had been installed on the sidewalk on the southwest side of the church. This will assist folks navigating their way from the parking lot to the church. Trustees were thanked for this work as well.
5. Policy Review: Deferred to next meeting.
6. Scouts/Youth: Maggie was not available to report on the Scouts and Youth joint participation. Shelley will follow up with Maggie.
7. Ukulele Grant: Shelley was not available to report on the Uke grant. Jerry advised council we did not get funding from the United Church Grant we went after. The issue is to come off the Council agenda, but efforts will be made to find other resources. Jerry agreed to continue to champion this in the new year.
8. Freemason Request: Rev. Dale spoke to them. This matter can come off the agenda. No further action required. Next Meeting

ROUNDTABLE: No roundtable

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday January 18th, 7:00 PM

CLOSING PRAYER: Jerry closed with A Prayer for a Time of Transition.

ADJOURNMENT Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm