



# Huron Shores United Church

## COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

### Thursday January 16<sup>th</sup> 2020 – 4:00pm

### Sanctuary

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#### PRESENT

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| 1. Janice Sinker: Council Chair                              | 6. Bryan Beattie: Finance                |
| 2. Rev. Dr. Kate Crawford: Minister                          | 7. Bob Illman: Trustees/WOW              |
| 3. Christine Bregman: Recording Secretary/Accessibility Team | 8. Virginia Scott: Christian Development |
| 4. Debbie Procter: Property Management                       | 9. Pat Lane: Worship (alternate)         |
| 5. Charles MacDonald: Ministry and Personnel                 | 10. Rosalind MacDonald: WOW              |

#### AGENDA

##### 1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:07 PM by Council Chair, Janice Sinker.

Quorum present.

##### 2. Acknowledgment of Indigenous Territory Statement

Council read the statement aloud.

##### 3. Opening Prayer

Rev. Dr. Kate Crawford opened the meeting with prayer.

##### 4. Approval of Agenda

**Motion:** That the agenda be approved. Moved. Seconded. Carried.

##### 5. Correspondence and Announcements

- a. **Letter from Barry and Marla Nicholls:** Concern regarding minutes. Janice has let them know their letter has been received.

**Note:** Council minutes, once approved at the following meeting, will be posted on the website and will be available in the office.

- b. **Letter from Lynda Holmes.** Concern regarding the GBP Rationale. Council clarified its position to act on behalf of the congregation in affirming the GBP Rationale. The Rationale was previously approved by the Trustees. Janice is to write an announcement for *Shorelines* indicating that Council affirms the GBP Rationale, and

that all Council decisions are to be communicated in a timely fashion to the congregation, and at the ACM and in the Annual report. A note will also be published in *Shorelines* about the availability of Council minutes.

**c. Grant Requests:**

- i. Vibrancy Grant for AV equipment for Fellowship Hall; denied.
- ii. Community Grant for \$2,000 for a mid-winter concert; result unknown; Janice will call Lambton Shores about this grant.

**6. Review and Approval of Dec 19 2019 Minutes.**

**Motion:** That the minutes of Dec 19, 2019 be approved. Moved. Seconded. Carried.

**7. Business Arising from Minutes**

- a. Covenanting of Council will be held, Feb 2, 2020.
- b. We need to apply for covenanting with the Regional Council; Kate is working on this.
- c. Janice thanked the CWG individually in writing.

**8. New Business**

- a. Annual Congregational Meeting and worship service are to be in the lower level and to occur together. Food is arranged; people are to bring their utensils
- b. Rotary Club Funding for lower Fellowship Hall AV was directed to wiring infrastructure, and is already in place. Another \$5,000 will finish the AV work. With the kitchen being fully available, the Rotary Club may use the space more frequently. Bob Illman is to contact Ed Fluter, Rotary Club Chair of Allocations with quote and request regarding the following motion.

**Motion:** That Council request funding for the lower hall AV equipment from the Rotary Club of Grand Bend. Moved. Seconded. Carried.

- c. **Sunday Weather:** Dennis McIntyre (or designate) is to make the decision about whether to cancel a Sunday service. He is to contact the Chair of Council and the Office Administrator for communication to the congregation. A policy and procedure are to be written by the Worship Team. Janice will confirm with Dennis.

**9. Financial Report:** Bryan provided financial statements and a summary. Good deposits already received in December. Completing the building costs are higher than expected, which affects the debt retirement funds. Bryan expressed thanks to team chairs for keeping their budgets low. Bryan submitted a year-end financial report and provided a detailed explanation of the receipts and expenses, including a \$2,088 surplus.

**Motion:** That the Council approve the financial report for 2019 and recommend that it be presented at the ACM. Moved. Seconded. Carried.

2020 Financial Budget: A break even budget was presented and discussed.

**Motion:** That Council approve the 2020 budget and recommend that it be presented at the ACM. Moved. Seconded. Carried.

#### 10. Team and Council Working Group Reports

a. Minister (Nominations WG): Still need chairs for Affirming and Congregational Care. Council is to look at the structure of Council in March to make any changes.

b. M&P:

**Motion:** That Joanne Barry be accepted as a Congregational Visitor.  
Moved. Seconded. Carried.

c. Sabbatical Working Group: An updated SWG report will be given at the ACM. The Policies and Procedures document is to be updated and printed for the Jan 26 ACM and service. The Governance Infrastructure List was circulated for review.

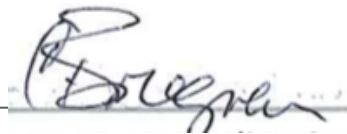
**ADJOURNMENT** 5:30PM.

**NEXT MEETING** Thursday, March 19, 2020.



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Janice Sinker/Chair of Council



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Christine Bregman, Recording Secretary