

Trinity-Clifton United Church Council Meeting

Draft Minutes Oct. 3rd, 2019

Present: Barbara Prowse, Bob MacNutt, Gail MacNutt, Philip Floyd, Graeme Linkletter, Alma Mutch, Harry Kielly, Heather Cameron, Judy Irwin, Linda Dunning, Mary Cowper-Smith, Valerie Downe, Virginia McGowan, Howard Hibbs, Rev. Doreen Daley.

Guests: Ken MacDonald, Mario Zirone. (Representing UC Men)

Regrets: Vicki Allen Cook, Bruce Fitchett, Sylvia Gunn.

Absent: Anne Love, David White, Rev. Catherine Crooks.

1. Gathering and Constitution:

The meeting was held in the upper hall of the TUC and got underway at 6:35p.m. Chair, Barbara Prowse opened with a reflection on a story from the Bible. The story of Zacchaeus.

2. Approval of the agenda:

Agenda was agreed to with a slight change of the date at the top from 2016 to 2019.

3. Approval of the minutes>

Minutes of May 9th **adopted as circulated.**

Minutes of June 6th, as published. Spelling correction on the names MacNutt, Noted.

Correction of missing name, Virginia McGowan, noted. **Adopted.**

Minutes of Sept. 5th. Spelling error of window. Corrected. **Adopted.**

4. Old Business:

a. Motion Re: Prince Street doors, October 4th, 2018.

The motion made on Oct 4th was as a result of Council discussion at the Sept. 6th, 2018 meeting when the following motion was approved: " That the property committee request Council to approve a project budget of \$225,000.00 plus tax to proceed with the renovation of the Prince Street door project as generally laid out in the drawings that were presented at the Congregational Meeting in July 15, 2018, subject to final approval by the congregation". No approval of the congregation obtained.

The minutes of October 4th, 2018, under section 5 state: "Discussed what previous minutes reflect for Council's recommendation on Prince St. Door. David White motioned that the project be tabled for a maximum of one year for the Ad-Hoc Committee to

provide their report/strategic plan to Council and congregation. Approved- Graeme, Bob and Judy abstained from voting on this.- It was agreed that the congregation should be informed of this.

No indication in following minutes that any action was taken.

The Ad-Hoc Co-chair, Phil Floyd, reported that the report is not ready as yet and Council would not have this information for further discussion on changes to the front entrance. Ad Hoc members believe that it may be four or five years before we would have additional income if any development of church property is approved by the congregation.

Motion by Linda Dunning, Second by Graeme Linkletter that the motion be tabled for 6 months and appended to minutes for subsequent followup. Carried.

b. Update on repairs to stained glass windows:

The seven windows on the South side of the Church have been repaired. A consultant, Andrew MacAusland from Toronto was brought in to advise on the exterior protective glazing and to carry out a repair on a partially damaged window. The damaged glass was carefully removed and transported back to Toronto for repair and will be shipped back and a local installer will be hired to replace the glass. Recommendations were made on the exterior glazing with a quote of approx. \$16,500 for the seven windows currently in question. A local artisan has been engaged to take measurements of the windows and forward the information to MacAusland in Toronto. Temporary protective material will be placed over the windows for winter protection. Removal of the staging to take place following installation of protective material.

c. Ministry & Personnel:

Mary Cowper-Smith gave a brief update on Question and Answer material that had been circulated to all committees. Discussion followed.

5. New Business:

a) Development Committee. Bob MacNutt, chair of the Development Committee spoke on the rationale behind the resignation of the members of the Development Committee. After some discussion a motion was made by Bob MacNutt, seconded by Linda Dunning: **“that Council lift the moratorium on large concerts on a one time basis to allow for the Lennie Gallant Innkeepers Concert to take place on Nov.28th, 2019, ticket sales not to exceed 700 patrons.” Motion carried - 2 against - 1 abstain.**

b) Finance: Phil Floyd gave a brief update on finance. Financial position to be published in upcoming Sunday bulletin. Phil spoke on the urgency to get a capital campaign underway for ongoing and upcoming expenses.

c) Affirm: Valerie Downe spoke briefly on the 2015 mission statement of Trinity-Clifton United Church and an upcoming Minute for Mission on Micah 6:8 Val will speak to this at the November meeting of Council.

6) Business arising:

Nothing to report at this time.

7) Committee Reports:

Worship: Linda Dunning reported that Services have been planned until Christmas Eve. Rev. Doreen Daley will continue to lead our worship. Nov. 10th., special guest, Reg Porter to speak. No one currently scheduled for the Anniversary service. We will have communion at the rail on Sunday with Rev. Gail Hopkirk leading worship. Linda Dunning also expressed a need to have rental guidelines clarified for the Office Administrator. Chair of Council, Barbara Prowse asked that, Linda Dunning, Graeme Linkletter, and Howard Hibbs meet and discuss legalities of concerts as they relate to Building Codes, Fire Codes, Fire Prevention By-Law and CRA (Charitable organizations).

8) Correspondence:

Letter from Jeanette and Don Scott in support of Reverend Cathy. Letter presented and read by Chair Barbara Prowse.

Letter from Karen Wood, will be available to Council at a later date.

9) Other Business:

Prayers are extended to Rev. Greg Davies, Elaine MacDonald, Sam MacLeod, and Isabelle Scott.

10) Words from clergy:

Rev. Daley read from an article from the United Church on October being thank your clergy month.

Rev. Daley closed the meeting with a prayer for guidance.

11) Next meeting:

November 7th, 2019.

Barbara Prowse, Chair of Council

Howard Hibbs, Secretary