

FIRST UNITED CHURCH COUNCIL Meeting

Sept 24, 2020 7:00 pm

We, at First United Church, are called by the spirit to be a caring community of faith actively pursuing spiritual growth and compassionate outreach

Members Present:

Kevin Hanna, Chair

Annette Taylor, Minister

Marie Andrews, Worship & Music

Maxine Olmsted, Ministry & Personnel

Fran Jackson, Membership & Pastoral Care

Donna Barber, UCW

Colleen MacBean, Regional Council Rep

Ila Wilms, Building & Property

Sharyn Erne, Vice Chair

Patti McCleary, Outreach

Charles Lotochinski, Stewardship/Treasurer

Shirley Dyck, Ministry & Personnel

Sharon Veer, Member at Large

Linda Stumpf, Faith Formation

Pat Dyck Bunkosky, Secretary

Shirley Wilson, UCW

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. A quorum was present.
2. Check in
3. Reminder of Holy Manner #8: Respect the confidentiality of individual members and their stories
4. Opening Devotion – Sharyn Erne
5. Agenda

Motion: Maxine Olmsted/Ila Wilms

“To approve the agenda as presented.” Carried

6. Acknowledgement of the August 25, 2020 Executive meeting minutes.
7. Approval of the August 27, 2020 Church Council minutes.

Motion: Sharyn Erne/Charles Lotochinski

“To approve the August 27, 2020 minutes.” Carried

8. Business arising from the minutes
 - a) Readiness for opening in October
The Covid-19 guidelines have been sent out to all the groups which rent space from our church.
The church doors will be unlocked during regular office hours, 9:00 to 12:00 and 1:00 to 3:30 except on Garage Sale days when they will be locked at 5:00.
 - b) Media and Communication Coordinator

Motion: Shirley Dyck/Sharon Veer

“That the Media and Communications Coordinator position be assigned to the duties of the Office Managers, and for the foreseeable future will be carried out within the scope of their current hours. The expectation will be that they continue collecting data on time required and how this impacts their other duties. The impact on their hours will be reviewed on or before January 15, 2021.” Carried

9. Correspondence – Norma Hain is requesting a letter of support to renew her Lay Worship Leader’s License.

Motion: Shirley Dyck/Shirley Wilson

"That we send a letter of support for Norma Hain to renew her Lay Worship Leaders License." Carried

Kevin Hanna will write the letter.

10. Minister's Report (including Swift Current and Area Ministerial Association) – Annette Taylor

11. Important Items from Reports

- a) Financial status report from Stewardship – Charles Lotochinski

Budget sheets have been sent out to the committees.

A wage subsidy was received from government to help pay employees.

Annette Taylor thanked Charles Lotochinski and Kevin Hanna for their hard work in applying for the subsidy.

- b) M & P

Motion: Sharyn Erne/Ila Wilms**"That Council approve Annette's request to take the week of November 2 – 8, 2020 for continuing education." Carried**

- c) Fund Raising Committee This committee was set up as an ad hoc committee with no terms. They would like some guidance. It was agreed that the committee would discuss what they would like for terms and bring them to Council for approval.

Motion to accept written reports

Motion: Donna Barber/Patti McCleary**"That we accept all reports as written." Carried.**

12. New Business

- a) 3rd Ave Boutique & Garage Sale

A letter from Norma Hain suggests that we not open the Boutique and Garage Sale rooms until after Christmas, due to the information that our country is experiencing a second wave of COVID-19. Norma's recommendation was discussed along with the plan for re-opening that had been provided by the garage sale and 3rd Avenue Boutique. Council made several amendments to the guidelines (see both original and amended documents attached).

Motion: Colleen MacBean/Ila Wilms**"That the garage sale and 3rd Avenue Boutique be allowed to open when they are ready, as per the amended guidelines." Carried**

13. Opening Devotion and closing prayer for October 29, 2020 Council Meeting – Donna Barber, UCW

14. Group norms – Member at Large - Sharon Veer

15. Reminder of action items – Member at Large - Sharon Veer

16. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm

17. Closing prayer – Sharyn Erne

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First United Church Council Meeting

Next Executive Meeting – Tuesday, October 27, 2020 at 5:15 p.m.

Upcoming Church Council Meeting – Thursday, October 29, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Kevin Hanna, Chair

Pat Dyck Bunkosky, Secretary