

B 16/17 - Meeting #6  
**Mill Woods United Church**  
**Council Minutes**

Date: January 10, 2017

Location: Church Lounge

Present: Brian Sampson (Chairperson), Rev. Ian Kellogg, Laine Pickle (Member-At-Large), Elfrieda Penner (Recording Steward), Cathy Bayly (Worship)

Regrets: Randy Round (Finance), Diane Nash Borynec (Member-at-Large), Francisco Rico (Ministry & Personnel), Andrew Janewski (Youth Representative),

This constitutes a quorum.

Follow-up

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**OPENING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. with a prayer by Ian.

**Approval of Minutes:**

**Motion 16/17-13** : Moved by Laine, seconded by Brian that the minutes of December 13, 2016 be accepted as presented.

**Carried**

**Thanks:**

Council extended thanks to:

- an anonymous donor who paid for the catered food for the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary luncheon on November 20<sup>th</sup>. Not only was this a generous donation, it allowed members of Heavenly Hospitality, who were extremely busy last fall, to enjoy the worship service and to visit with friends during the luncheon.
- Maurice Oldham for clearing snow again this winter.
- Rob and Jennifer McPhee for presenting a Next Adventure travelogue of their 2015 trip through South America, including refreshments. More than 20 people came to the presentation on January 6.

**Correspondence:**

- A covenanting service between the United on Whyte Pastoral Charge and the interim minister Rev. Heather Landry was held on January 8, which Ian attended.
- Request for a special offering was discussed.
- Collective Kitchen grant application:
  - o This group seeks permission to proceed with the necessary process to apply for this grant. Brian will contact Nancy Siever for more information.

Brian

**BUSINESS ARISING**

Treaty Plaque:

- Nancy Siever and Mary-Anne Janewski have an estimate of \$300 - \$400 for the plaque. Council is still supportive of continuing their work on a plaque and awaits the wording, size, location and accurate cost.

Pastoral Oversight visit:

- organized by Presbytery for early 2017. MWUC would be visited by a minister and a lay person from McClure United Church, and Ian and another person from our church would visit St. Andrews United Church.

Chili cookoff: Council supports Bev's idea to organize this for the end of February.

Art show at the church:

- Council approves of this art show of paintings by an indigenous man through Edmonton Native Healing Council at no cost to us.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Large screen TV:

- A suggestion was received to purchase a large-screen TV to enhance presentations. Laine will look into this.

Laine

Financial Report: as Randy was not present, no financial report was given.

Minister's report:

- Ian has now been here for three years.
- The fall and Christmas seasons have been busy.
- Ian officiated at two weddings in December and one funeral.
- Sharing Circle: Thursday, Jan.19 to share each other's ideas and concerns.
- Remits on Church restructuring
  - o on Sunday January 29 following the service, Ian will present information on four votes that each United Church is supposed to hold by summer 2017. They are on recommended changes to the constitution of our denomination.
  - o Mill Woods United will vote on these four "remits" at our Annual Financial Meeting on February 26, 2017.
- Ian will be gone on holidays Feb.3-16.

Committee reports received from:

- Property Committee is addressing the elevator problem. The elevator servicing company conducted a weight test and consequently a sign has been put on the elevator re a limit of 2 people and a weight restriction. The underlying problem has been identified and the elevator servicing company has said they will come to fix this problem shortly.

Annual Financial Meeting: February 26, 2017

Annual General Meeting: May 14, 2017

**Next Council Meeting:**

February 21, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion 16/17-14:** Moved by Laine that the meeting be adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

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Brian Sampson, Chairperson

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Elfrieda Penner, Recording Steward