

Minutes of Christ Church Gabriola Council Meeting
Thursday, November 19, 2020: 1:30pm

Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. (Ephesians 4:2-3 NIV)

Present: Lisa Griffith, Rev. Karen Hollis, Owen McCooey, Angela Nutter, Nancy Hetherington Peirce, Hilary Plowright, Betty Schultze, Mona Smart, David Soy; **Guest attendees:** Susan Brockley, Shelagh Huston

CO-CHAIR: Nancy Hetherington Peirce

CO-SECRETARY: Mona Smart

1. **Opening prayer:** Led by Rev Karen Hollis
2. **Quorum:** Quorum was present.
3. **Agenda:** Approved by general consensus.
4. **Minutes:** M/S Lisa/David: Approval of minutes of the Oct 15, 2020 Council Meeting as distributed, noting the addition of David Soy as attendee. Carried.
5. **Correspondence**
 - M. J. Patterson re management of archival material; tabled for discussion at the January Council meeting.
 - Susan Murray re use of the CCG distribution list to distribute invitation to participate in two health studies related to Susan's employment at PHC.
 - Next Step: Council to discuss at the January meeting the development of a policy for the use of the CCG distribution list to announce activities developed by external groups.
 - *Action Item:* Nancy to speak with Susan Murray to explain CCG's current position; at the moment we do not generally distribute information from external groups to the CCG distribution list.
6. **Business arising from the minutes:** Action Items as listed and updated in the minutes.
7. **Vision/Covenanting Report**
 - The report was distributed to Council members in advance of the meeting.
 - Discussion ensued concerning the meaning and use of the terminology of covenant versus vision and the content of the document, being reflective of the four most frequently cited provocative propositions by the visioning worksheet respondents.
 - Next step: Vision committee to proceed with their plan for a congregational gathering in January or February that will include small group discussion time, so the congregation can discuss the vision/covenanting report.
8. **CCG Building Closure**
 - Matter to be reviewed when government and denominations permit in-person gatherings.
9. **Treasurer's Report**
 - See written report. Lisa reminded the Council of the need to contribute any items to the draft 2021 budget that she will bring to the January Council meeting.

10. Worship & Education Report

- See written report. Advent services also to include Blue Christmas, Dec 18, 4pm.

11. Other Committee Reports

- Personnel Relations: M/Angela/Lisa; To amend Lisa Millard’s 2020 contract as recommended by the Personnel Relations Committee. Carried.
- Pastoral Care: No written report.
- Outreach: No written report.
- Social/Fun/Fund raising: See written report.
- Building & Grounds: No written report.

12. Denominational Reports

1. Synod of Diocese of BC: David to send letter to invite the new bishop to CCG when it is possible to do so.
2. Pacific Mountain Region: See written report.

13. New Business

- Christmas Bazaar: See written report.

14. Adjournment: 3: 40 pm.

15. Next Meeting: January 21, 2021

Co-Chair Nancy Hetherington Peirce

Co-Secretary Mona Smart

Date: _____

Action Items from Council Meetings

#	Name	Task	Action(s)	Status
July 20, 2017:		Update Nov 19, 2020		
1	Betty	Is to meet with Jocelyn July 24 th regarding the usage of the Church parking lot agreement with the Heritage Branch of the BC Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations, & Rural Development.	Nov/17: New contact, Ursula Pfahler, cancelled the November meeting; will be rescheduled. Betty has contacted Ursula for a new meeting date several times. When contacted in November Ursula stated that they were waiting for a response from the chief of the indigenous band.	July 31, 2018 Betty will contact again as is an ongoing matter. Sept 4, 2018; awaiting government's response. Jan 15, 2019 – Ongoing Feb. 19, 2019 -Ongoing Apr 16, 2019 – Ongoing May 21, 2019- Ongoing June 28,2019-Ongoing Aug 6, 2019- Ongoing Sept 17, 2019 – ongoing. Nancy will check in with Betty. Oct 15, 2019- ongoing; Nov 19, 2019 – ongoing; Jan. 21, 2020 – ongoing; Feb 18, 2020 – ongoing; Mar 17, 2020 ongoing; Apr 21, 2020 – ongoing; May 19, 2020 ongoing Aug 6, 2020 – Betty to follow up. Sept 17,2020 – ongoing; October 15,2020 – ongoing;
From March 19, 2019 Minutes: Update Nov 19, 2020				

2	Karen	Policy for Baptism & weddings	Develop policies early in the new year (rather than the fall)	<p>June 18, 2019 – ongoing; Aug 6, 2019 – Ongoing; Sep 17, 2019 – ongoing; Oct 15, 2019 – ongoing; Nov 19, 2019 – ongoing Jan. 21,2020- ongoing Feb 18, 2020 – ongoing Mar 17, 2020 – ongoing April 21, 2020 –Ongoing; May 19, 2020 – ongoing; June 16,2010 – ongoing; August 6, 2020 – postponed Sept. 17,2020 – postponed Oct. 15,2020 – Postponed Nov 19, 2020 – Upcoming summer 2021 weddings necessitates the development of a policy; Karen to offer initial thoughts at the January meeting.</p>
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From Aug 6, 2019 Minutes: Update Nov 19, 2020

3	Karen	Updates	<p>Karen will update the information on Marriages, Baptisms and Memorials and the United Church’s Historical Roll. MJ has offered to help with this. It was decided to keep hard copies with the minister, but to also have a digital record.</p>	<p>Sep 17, 2019 –Ongoing Oct 15, 2019 – ongoing Nov 19, 2019 – ongoing Jan21, 2020 – ongoing Feb 18, 2020 – ongoing Mar 17, 2020 – ongoing Apr 21, 2020 – ongoing May 19,2020 – ongoing June 16, 2020 – ongoing Aug 6, 2020 – ongoing Sept 7, 2020 – ongoing Oct 15, 2020 – received MJ’s archive report. Nov 19, 2020 –MJ’s report tabled until Jan 21, 2020 meeting.</p>
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From September 17, 2019 Minutes

4.	Karen	Church Info pamphlet	Simple text pamphlet about our congregation, who we are – for midweek and Sunday visitors.	Oct 15, 2019 – ongoing; March 17, 2020 –postponed until visioning process is complete.
From Oct 15, 2019 minutes				
5	Owen	Church history and windows	Laminated card about the windows. Plaque on outside of building about church history.	Jan. 21, 2020 – ongoing; March 17, 2020 – postponed until building opens
From February 18, 2020 minutes				
6	Nancy & Betty	Coffee Hour	Nancy will send a note to coffee people, updating them; Betty will make sure there are cookies in kitchen.	Mar 17, 2020 ongoing; Apr 21, 2020 – postponed until building opens
From May 19, 2020 minutes: Update Nov 19, 2020				
7	Karen	Zoom contract	Karen will send Lisa G Zoom License application (deal from the Diocese) for her consideration	June 16, 2020 –ongoing; August 6, 2020 – Lisa G and Karen to review Zoom contract Sept. 17,2020 –continue monthly subscription. Nov 19, 2020 – Revisit monthly versus yearly subscription at Jan 2021 Council meeting.
From June 16, 2020 minutes Update Nov 19, 2020				
8	Nancy	A fireproof safe	Nancy will contact the fire chief regarding the fire-proof nature of the safe. She will find out the weight and check with a couple of churches re what they do to safe keep documents.	Sept. 17,2020 – ongoing; October 15, 2020- postponed until church opens. Nov 19, 2020 – to be discussed at the January 2020 Council meeting along with the archival materials.
9	Nancy	SMA	Requires minor correction.	Sept. 17,2020 – ongoing Oct. 15, 2020 – ongoing Nov 19, 2020 – to be sent to ACC's Barry Foster Nov 23, 2020.

From Sept 17,2020 minutes				
10.	Karen	Diocese "Green Plan"	Karen to review and report at Oct meeting.	Oct. 15, 2020 – Karen reported with further action to be taken when church reopens.