

April 28, 2020 Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of Pinegrove United Church

The "Zoom" Meeting commenced at 6:30 with Claire Belluz, Rev. Rob Smith, Dayle Lankinen, Sharon Loghrin, Joan Bailey, Deb Paris, Donna McNally, Cathi Siemieniuk, Jill Schutte, Heather Holland, Marion Wilson and Brenda Cheetham joining the meeting.

Regrets: Saira Vanderwees and Sandy Vibert

The Chair brought everyone's attention to the letter received from Rev. Rob officially informing the people of Pinegrove United Church that he is seeking a change in our pastoral relationship. He has accepted the position of Pastoral Relations Minister with the Canadian Shield Regional Council. Regretfully the letter was accepted.

Clair asked Rev. Rob to give an overview on his new position with the Canadian Shield Regional Council.

Rev. Rob thanked the Board for the time that he was able to spend with Pinegrove and feels that we have restored his faith in the church and feels that he was called to help be the church rather than to change the church.

The Pastoral Relations Minister for the Canadian Shield Regional Council is the position that Rev. Rob will fill. To the best of his ability he will provide help to Pinegrove in moving forward.

Claire confirmed that we are disappointed and sorry to see him leave.

Ministry and Personnel (Cathi Siemieniuk)

Formal notice of Rev. Rob's intent to seek a change in our pastoral relationship was received on April 21st. Rev. Rob is willing to stay for the full 90 days following notice which would take him to July 31st, 2020. The committee would like the board to consider his offer to fulfill his contractual status.

MOTION #1 TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL BY REV. ROB SMITH TO STAY THE FULL 90 DAYS FOLLOWING NOTICE WITH THE FINAL DAY OF EMPLOYMENT BEING JULY 31ST, 2020. HOLIDAYS OWED WILL BE TAKEN PRIOR TO JULY 31ST, 2020 AT THE DISCRETION OF REV. ROB SMITH.

**1. DONNA MCNALLY, 2. SHARON LOGHRIN
CARRIED**

Finance

Even though it would appear that we are in a position to apply for the 75% proposed rebate on Payroll, our financial situation does not warrant it at this time. Marion will attend the webinar to obtain further information so that in the future, if it is needed, an application could be made.

Phone Tree Calls

The items to be discussed when making the phone calls:

- Checking in to see how individual is doing during this stressful time;
- Give information on Live Streaming services;

- With respect to the minister leaving a newsletter will be sent out shortly to provide more information including when Rev. Rob will be leaving and what our next step will be.

Rev. Rob advised that Claire, as the Chair of the Board, should be letting Lillian know that we are in the process of looking for a new minister.

A card will be sent to Randy Boyd on his retirement. When a retirement celebration is planned we will look at giving him a retirement gift.

Meeting closed with a prayer.

Next Meeting: May 12th, 2020.

Chair _____

Secretary _____