

**St Andrew's River Heights United Church**  
**255 Oak Street**  
**Council Meeting January 26, 2021**  
**Zoom meeting: 7:00 pm**

**Present:** Anne Grewar, Rob Siddel, Karen Lumley, Bill Craddock, Glenn Neufeld, Sarah Cory, Michael Duncan, Noreen Mian, Bill Craddock, Lisa Richards, Greg Fearn (guest)

**Council Meeting:**

**Administration**

1. Call to Order (7:07): Greetings/Vision Statement
2. Devotion—Karen
3. Motion to approve agenda. Moved by Rob. Seconded by Glenn. All in Favour. Carried.
4. Motion to approve the December 15, 2020 minutes. Note to correct the devotion to Glenn. Moved by Sarah. Seconded by Glenn. All in favour. Carried.
5. Guest: Greg Fearn

**Items for Discussion/Update:**

1. Strategic Priorities updates: Exploring Amalgamation – Noreen and Greg
  - a. Summary and review of the final report
  - b. Discussion
    - i. 3-5 years projections for the church based on stewardship. Discussion.
    - ii. Consider similarities and differences between churches. Focus of congregations.
    - iii. Consider meeting with Westworth Council as a starting point to the conversation. St. Andrew's council is not ready to make a decision about this matter yet.
2. Letter from Linda Paul (January 17, 2021)
  - a. Stewardship reached out to other churches to understand how donors are thanked
  - b. Recognition of donors at service. Discussion. Decision to send a thank you letter with tax receipt.
3. Revised Constitution – Rob
  - a. Minor changes to revised constitution from Committee on Community Faith Support of the Regional Council. Does not change content.
  - b. Motion to accept the revised constitution. Moved by Rob. Seconded by Bill. All in Favour. Carried.

- c. Next steps--this document needs to go to the congregation and then back to the Regional Council for final approval.
- 4. Update- Re-opening plan – Glenn
  - a. Health orders extended to February 12
  - b. Small groups of singers would like to rent the sanctuary for pre-recorded sessions for the safe-at-home provincial grant.
- 5. Nominations update – Anne
  - a. Kathy Knowles has agreed let her name stand for election to the Board.
  - b. Allison Koots will consider for the future

**Items for Decision:**

- 1. Treasures Report – Bill
  - a. The 2021 Insurance premium will increase between \$300 and \$500 over last year's premium
- 2. AGM
  - a. The AGM will be held on Sunday, February 28 at 11:30 a.m. via Zoom.
  - b. Karen will announce the date of the AGM at the three Sunday services preceding the meeting.
  - c. Notice of the meeting will also be sent out in the weekly e-blast
  - d. Discussion about agenda items from that there was just a short discussion around agenda items.

**Other Business:**

- 3. Devotions: Volunteer for February meeting

**Motion to adjourn: 8:45 pm**