

Covenant Commission
Western Ontario Waterways Regional Council
OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA
Connecting, Supporting, Transforming

Wednesday, July 29, 2020, 9:00 am, Zoom Call

Roster: (9) Marg Bakker, Judy Chalmers, Ann Harbridge (DLM), Sandy Loomis, Ross Carter, Norm Eygenraam, Arthur Hills, Thom McDonough (RDLM), Kate Crawford (Rev)

Staff Support: Rev. John Neff, Minister, Congregational Support & Mission, Sue Duliban, Executive Assistant

Present: Marg Bakker, Judy Chalmers, Ann Harbridge (DLM), Norm Eygenraam, Arthur Hills

Regrets: Kate Crawford, Thom McDonough, Sue Duliban; John Neff

Welcome and Constitute Meeting: Ann Harbridge opened with a prayer, welcomed all and constituted the meeting in the name of Jesus Christ for all business that comes before it.

The commission members agreed to make Jim & Rosemary Richardson from Angus United Church corresponding members.

New Business

1. Angus UC – demolition of manse

The church council at Angus fears the cost of hidden problems once they begin repairs. The contractor who looked at the property is reputable, and declined the work for this reason. The congregation is not prepared to put more money into the building should hidden problems be discovered. Questions were also asked about the congregation's financial viability without the rental income, and they feel they will be fine.

MOTION by Judy Chalmers / Norm Eygenraam

The Covenant Commission of Western Ontario Waterways Regional Council agrees to the request of the official board of Angus United Church for demolition of the Manse located at 58 Jonas St., Angus, ON L0M 1B0. **CARRIED**

2. Ballinafad UC – Listing of church property

MOTION by Arthur Hills / Margaret Bakker

The Covenant Commission of Western Ontario Waterways Regional Council agrees with the recommendation of the Trustees of Ballinafad United Church, to list for sale the church, the municipal address of which is 14369 Trafalgar Rd, Halton Hills, ON NOB 1H0, with Keller Williams Real Estate for \$659,000. Proceeds to go to Erin United Church, in trust, following the amalgamation between the two congregations. **CARRIED**

3. St. John's UC, Flesherton – Listing of church property

MOTION by Norm Eygenraam / Judy Chalmers

The Covenant Commission of Western Ontario Waterways Regional Council agrees to the request of the church council of Highland United Church, Flesherton, to the sale of the church, the municipal address of which is 13 Spring St. Flesherton, ON,, to the Hanley Institute for a total of \$250,000 (\$100,000 in cash and \$150,000) in a non-performing mortgage registered on title and paying 5% interest. Funds to be retained by Highland United Church and used in accordance with Western Ontario Waterways Regional Council Property Policy. **CARRIED**

Ann Harbridge closed the meeting with a blessing.

Next meeting: Regularly scheduled: Thursday, September 10th, 9 a.m. Zoom call