

**RICHMOND HILL UNITED CHURCH**  
**COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**May 10, 2017**  
**RHUC Parlour**

**PRESENT:** Brandon Moore, Nancy Hart, Donna DeVita, D.J. McCready, Joan Verner, Susan Green, Lynn Townsend, Jane Ridout, Donna Byres, Donna McErlain, Gillian Gibbons, Lyn May, Peter DeVita, Don Thomson, Donna Smith, Sandra Loughton, Sue Baker, Joanne Scofield Jane Wedlock, Harry Ramsaran, David Leyton-Brown, June Blanchette, Rev. James Ravenscroft.

**REGRETS:** Kathleen Crosbie, Terry Davie

The secretary confirmed the presence of a quorum. Brandon Moore presiding and Donna DeVita recording, the meeting began at 7:30 pm. in accordance with the monthly schedule.

**DEVOTION**

Donna Smith read an "Everyday Parable".

**1. Approval of Agenda**

**M/S** D.J. McCready/ Jane Wedlock that the agenda be accepted  
with the addition of CD. **Carried**

**2. Minutes of April 12, 2017**

**M/S** Donna DeVita/ Lyn May that the minutes of April 12, 2017, be  
approved. **Carried**

**3. Matters Arising from Minutes**

**a) Property**

**M/S** Donna Smith/ David Leyton-Brown that Council appoint Peter DeVita as  
Chair of Property. **Carried**

**4. Correspondence**

No Correspondence

## 5. Committees and Working Groups Updates

### a) Treasurer/ Finance

D.J. McCready submitted a report which is attached. A picture of Jean Cafley was circulated. D.J. reported that we have had a safety deposit box since 2003 but no key has been located. Access without a key will incur a \$300.00 fee.

### b) Communications

Joanne Scofield reported that the committee is reviewing the 2006 Communications Plan. They are specifically looking at:

- ways we welcome people
- bulletin boards – what, where, why
- external signage
- blog

They are preparing a survey for September and are also looking at branding and the listening post.

### c) CD

Susan Green asked if Council was willing to subsidize youth attending Rendez-vous in Montreal. Matthew Miller is planning to attend and the cost is \$875.00. **M/S Donna Smith/ Jane Ridout** that RHUC Council contribute \$300.00 from the John Spanner Fund to assist Matthew Miller with the cost of attending Rendez-vous in Montreal. **Carried**

### d) Property

Peter DeVita presented a number of slides showing the roof of the CD building and the various issues contributing to leaks. He also circulated a report which is attached. The cost for a new roof may range from \$50,000 to \$500,000. He is consulting contractors and evaluating options. The Property Committee sees this as a 'must do' item. It was suggested that the CD classes should be moved away from any possible mold or asbestos contamination. Jane Ridout commended the committee for the work they have done in such a short time.

## 6. Minister's Report

Rev. Ravenscroft reported that the listening circles are going well. Five have been completed so far and 116 people signed up. The process will continue into June. Jake Schultz is in need of prayers. The Confirmation has been moved to June 18 and June 11 is Pride Sunday.

## 7. New Business

- a) The Fall Retreat is scheduled for October 21.
- b) Krasman Centre can no longer accept non-commercially prepared food after a visit from the Health Department.
- c) The June 14 Council meeting will be a pot-luck at 2 O'Connor Cres. Starting at 6:30 pm.

**AJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm.

**Next Meeting of Council:**

The council meeting will be June 14, 2017 at 6:30 pm.  
2 O'Connor Cres.

Devotion: Sandra Loughton  
Refreshments: All  
Minute for Council: undesignated  
Attached: Finance Report  
Property Report

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Brandon Moore, Chair

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Donna DeVita, Secretary