

Elgin United Church
Minutes of the Annual General Meeting
26 March 2023

In Attendance: Clint Halladay, John Carley, Michelle Knapp, Morgan Wright, Maureen Bee, Mark Bee, Sandra Smith, JoAnne Fletcher (Pastoral Charge Supervisor), Mackayla Gordanier, Morgan Gordanier, Cindy Carbino, Ted Brett, Jane Campbell, Karen Myers, Jim Earl, Liz Church, Dave Alderdice, Mary Lynne Alderdice, Anne Overdulve, Adrian Overdulve, Elizabeth Wright, Jane Simpson, Barb Rowat, Roberta McKinney, Pat Greenhorn

Regrets: Joanne McLean

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 12:15 pm by the Chairperson, Clint Halladay, there being a quorum present.

Territorial Acknowledgement: We acknowledge that we are gathered here on unceded land of the First Peoples of Turtle Island. We acknowledge the harm that was done, is being done, to our Indigenous Brothers and Sisters by the Settler Community. And so, we now pledge to do better, and we humbly commit ourselves to the just pursuit of Truth and Reconciliation. For Christ's help with this promise to the First Peoples, we pray. Amen. (Excerpt from writing by Frayne McCarthy)

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| 1. | <u>Opening Prayer</u> | Elizabeth Wright opened in prayer, citing that little things done add to the greater good. | |
| 2. | <u>Tribute to the Deceased</u> | Anne Overdulve read the Tribute to the Deceased for the past year: Earl McFadden, Ron Dobson, Harry Seeley, Steven Seward, Art Gordanier, Ron Tinkess, John Lesage, Sharon Halladay. | |
| 3. | <u>New Member</u> | Ella Price joined by confirmation. | |
| 4. | <u>Voting Motion</u> | Mark Bee motioned that for the purpose of business conducted at this and all 2023 congregational meetings, all adherents be granted the right to participate and vote. Our Pastoral Charge Supervisor, JoAnne Fletcher, pointed out that this would not apply for the appointment of a new minister nor the selling of a building. Pat Greenhorn seconded the motion. | APPROVED |
| 5. | <u>Agenda</u> | No changes. Maureen Bee motioned that the agenda be accepted. Roberta McKinney seconded the motion. | APPROVED |
| 6. | <u>Minutes of AGM 27 March 2022</u> | A motion to adopt the minutes of the 2022 AGM was entered by Sandra Smith. Elizabeth Wright seconded the motion. | APPROVED |

7. Presentation of Reports The reports were presented in the same order as printed in the 2022 Annual Report, and start at page 19.
- a. Council Chair (Clint Halladay): As written;
 - b. Trustee Report (Adrian Overdulve): As written;
 - c. Sharing and Caring (Pat Greenhorn): As written;
 - d. Membership and Sacraments (Roberta McKinney): As written;
 - e. Music Report (Morgan Wright, Michelle Knapp): As written;
 - f. Property (Jim Earl): As written;
 - g. Treasurer (Joanne McLean): As written;
 - h. Audio-Visual (A-V Team): As written; and
 - i. Social and Community Partnership Report (Cindy Carbino);
 - j. All reports were considered to be moved by the applicable committee chair/presenter. Mark Bee seconded. APPROVED
8. Nominations & Vacancies
- a. There were no new nominations;
 - b. All incumbents agreed to continue to fill their existing positions; and
 - c. The Council Vice-Chair position is Vacant. Trustee Ab Emmons has passed away. A trustee replacement will be a Trustee decision.
9. Election of Council Members & Trustees
- a. Pat Greenhorn made a motion to approve the Elgin United Church Council as per Item 7b above. Roberta McKinney seconded. APPROVED
 - b. John Carley motioned that the present slate of Trustees be approved. Elizabeth Wright was the seconder. APPROVED
10. Call for Further Business Nil.

11. Remarks of the Pastoral Charge Supervisor JoAnne Fletcher cited a long list all of the things we were amazing at. She asked the congregation for our temperature, and the immediate response from Elizabeth Wright said it all, "We're a miracle!".

12. Remarks of Council Chair Clint Halladay told us "If opportunity didn't show up, we made one!" He sincerely thanked everyone for making us a community committed, community strong, United Church. Mark Bee thanked Clint on behalf of the entire congregation for his strong, insightful, and compassionate leadership.

On behalf of the congregation, Clint presented a prayer shawl to John Carley (for John and for Joanne McLean).

13. Closing Prayer Roberta McKinney sent us home with a closing prayer.

14. Adjournment The meeting adjourned at 12:44 pm.

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