

Elgin United Church
Minutes of the Annual General Meeting
18 February 2024

In Attendance: Clint Halladay, Maureen Bee, Mark Bee, Michelle Knapp, Morgan Wright, Sandra Smith, Andrea Thompson, Ted Brett, Karen Myers, Rasa Krokys, Mary Carbino, Marion Cooper, Dave Cooper, Liz Church, Graham Lowe, Mary Lynne Alderdice, Dave Alderdice, JoAnne Fletcher (via phone), Pat Greenhorn, Tameira MacDonald, Zack Best

Regrets: Joanne McLean, John Carley, Adrian Overdulve, Anne Overdulve

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 12:14 pm by the Chairperson, Clint Halladay, there being a quorum present.

Territorial Acknowledgement: (All) Elgin United Church acknowledges that we are situated, live and work on ancestral territories of Indigenous peoples. We recognize the historical presence of the Algonquin people in this region. We honour their connection to this land, both in the past and the present and commit to the just pursuit of truth and reconciliation.

1. Opening Prayer (All) As we gather today for our annual meeting, we come before You with humble hearts. We seek Your guidance to unite our minds and spirits. Bless us with the strength to appreciate each other's contributions and foster an environment of understanding and cooperation. We are grateful for this opportunity to come together and to thank you for Your guidance as we endeavoured to work in Your name during the past year. Amen. ACTION BY

2. Tribute to the Deceased Clint Halladay read the Tribute to the Deceased for the past year:
Albert (Ab) James Overton Emmons March 18, 2023
Elizabeth (Betty) Hewitt, April 22, 2023
Daniel (Danny) Leon Burns, April 6, 2023
John Carman Eyre, July 1, 2023
Bill Carbino, October 20, 2023
Jesse Franklin James (Frank) Allen, November 8, 2023
Irene Martin, November 13, 2023

3. Voting Motion Mark Bee motioned to grant all adherents the right to participate and vote at this and all 2024 congregational meetings. Roberta McKinney seconded the motion. APPROVED

4. Agenda No changes. Michelle Knapp motioned that the agenda be accepted. Pat Greenhorn seconded the motion. APPROVED

5. Minutes of ACM 26 March 2023 A motion to adopt the minutes of the 2023 ACM was entered by Ted Brett. Sandra Smith seconded the motion. APPROVED

6. Presentation of Reports The reports were presented in the same order as printed in the 2023 Annual Report, and start at page 16, followed by pages 19-28.
- a. Council Chair (Clint Halladay): As written;
 - b. Trustee Report (Adrian Overdulve): As written;
 - c. Rideau Lakes Early Learning Centre Report (RLELC Liaison): As written;
 - d. Pastoral Care Ministry Report (Pastoral Care Group): As written;
 - e. Young at Heart Breakfast Club Report (Ted Brett, Clint Halladay): As written;
 - f. Sharing and Caring Report (Pat Greenhorn): As written;
 - g. Children's Ministry Report (Pat Greenhorn): As written;
 - h. Membership and Sacraments Report (Roberta McKinney): As written;
 - i. Music (Morgan Wright, Michelle Knapp): Morgan Wright added that they would like to purchase a percussion instrument for weekly use in worship services. Further discussion will be brought to Council;
 - j. Property (Property Committee): As written;
 - k. Treasurer (Joanne McLean): As written; and
 - l. Audio Visual Report (A/V Team): As written.
 - m. Community Partnership Report (Cindy Carbino): As written.
- Maureen Bee made a motion to adopt all of the annual information reports. Marion Cooper seconded the motion. APPROVED
7. Nominations & Vacancies
- a. Declared vacancies are: There are no declared vacancies.
 - b. Call for New Nominations: There were no new nominations APPROVED

8. Election of Council Members Dave Alderdice made a motion to approve the Elgin United Church Council as per the Elgin United Church Council Nominations for 2024 list (attached). Roberta McKinney seconded. APPROVED
9. Call for Further Business There was no further business.
10. Remarks of the Pastoral Supervisor JoAnne Fletcher congratulated everyone on another wonderful, amazing year. She thanked our Chairperson, Clint Halladay, for his steady year of inspired leadership. JoAnne spoke of hope and that we are on the right track for a bright 2024.

On behalf of the congregation, Mark Bee thanked Clint for his insightfulness and highly motivated and caring leadership.
10. Remarks of Council Chair Clint told us we have done an awful lot in the past few years, because of those in the pews and of a council second to none! He stated that he's looking forward to using our sanctuary to its fullest. He shared that his heart is filled with gratitude.
11. Closing Prayer Our closing prayer was given by Mark Bee.
12. Adjournment The meeting adjourned at 12:37 pm.