

Elgin United Church Council Meeting Minutes
11 November 2025, 7:00 pm

In Attendance: Clint Halladay, JoAnne Fletcher (partial), Maureen Bee, Mark Bee, Morgan Wright, Pat Greenhorn, Ted Brett, Michelle Knapp, Cathy Ryan

Regrets: Andrea Thompson, Marg Ross, Roberta McKinney, Sandra Smith

- 1 Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by the Chairperson, Clint Halladay, there being a quorum present.
- 2 Territorial Acknowledgement: Read by all.
- 3 Opening Prayer: Mark Bee.
- 4 Agenda Pat Greenhorn motioned that the agenda be accepted. The motion was seconded by Ted Brett. APPROVED
- 5 Minutes of the Council Meeting held 1 Oct 25 Pat Greenhorn made a motion, and Maureen Bee seconded, to accept the minutes of the EUC council meeting held 1 Oct 25. APPROVED
- 6 Business Arising from 1 Oct 25 Council Meeting
 - a. November Sign Painting will be pushed to Spring 2026;
 - b. Annual auction – We have received many donations, particularly gift Certificates; Auction runs Nov 26 – Dec 3, with pick up Dec 6th at Clint's
 - c. Venue Name – Maureen Bee motioned and Morgan Wright seconded that the venue name be "Elgin United"; APPROVED
 - d. RDHS Musical at Elgin United. The RDHS teacher in charge of the musicals wants to look at our venue before committing, which might mean we're looking at next year for their earliest concert here;
 - e. Worship Committee – See the Official Board (OB) update in the Reports section of these minutes;
 - f. Portland United's share of the septic system replacement costs is still outstanding. Clint will follow up;
 - g. Canada Foodgrains Bank – This will be the first in a series of four guest speakers. Charlotte Hoy will still conduct the worship service, on November 23rd, however Mr Henry Reinders will speak. See the attachment submitted by Pat. Michelle Knapp and Maureen Bee will arrange refreshments after the service;
 - h. Christmas Dinner Council Meeting takes place 6:30 pm, December 10th at the Elgin Community Complex. The Swans are catering. Cost will be \$30 per person, payable at the door. So far, we have 14 confirmed attendees and 2 tentatives.

7. Reports
- a. Financial – Net Income YTD: \$1,998.10; Operating Balance \$51,680.46
 - b. Youth Ministry – Cathy Ryan told us that several planned youth events did not take place. Hoping for more success moving forward;
 - c. Property – See the attached report;
 - d. Music – Morgan Wright reported that some temporary new choir members have joined up for Advent and Christmas. Morgan is thinking of adding Christmas carols for Christmas Eve (prelude and postlude);
 - e. Morgan noted that no report has been received from Small Halls, regarding the October concert at EUC.
- During discussion, Council agreed that we would not hold any future concerts on Friday nights.
- We need more notice, for food preparation, for any performers/support staff who have dietary restrictions.
- The Country Kitchen Jamboree concert was a lot of fun and it also raised approximately \$1,300 for EUC. Pat Greenhorn will send thank you cards to the performers.
- Maureen noted that the Tipped Ship sponsored concert was well attended. Trish donated \$600 of the proceeds to EUC. Trish has big plans for a future concert series with season tickets. A schedule is forthcoming.
- f. Community Partnerships – See the attached report;
 - g. EOORC Report – See the attached report; and
 - h. Official Board (OB) – Clint reported that OB discussed the need to Reconvene the Worship Committee. OB approved PUC's share of the septic replacement (based on the shared manse) in the amount of \$3,614.19.
8. Reports Acceptance Let the minutes show that the reports were received for filing.
9. Pastoral Charge Supervisor Joanne Fletcher noted that PUC is interested in visioning with EUC – to be brought to the OB. Things are going really, really well!
10. New Business None identified.

- 11 Info for Future Discussion Pat mentioned a property manager, Brandi McGill at McGill Farms. They could provide on-call basis services. Pat, Clint, and Brandi are going to meet this month and hopefully a proposal will be ready to bring to the December council meeting.
- 12 Next Meeting The next council meeting shall take place December 10th. Which is our Christmas Dinner Meeting, catered by the Swans at the Elgin Community Hall
- 13 Comments of the Chair Clint enthusiastically proclaimed, "You're an awesome council!. For a small congregation, we're doing really well. You're a pleasure to work with. Who wants to be chair?!".
- Maureen reminded Clint that he's an amazing chairperson, which was followed by a round of applause!
- 14 Closing Prayer and Adjournment Pat closed in prayer. The meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.
- 15 Supervisor JoAnne Fletcher joined us and offered positive comments.