

**Minnedosa United Church Council Meeting
Wednesday May 16, 2018 7:00 pm
United Church Multipurpose Room**

2018 - 21

PRESENT: Wilf Taylor (Chair), Carol Frost (Clerk), Alexis Harvey, Julie Hutton, Judy McFadden, Lorna Hislop, Jean Taylor, Alf Iverson, Barry McNabb, Maxine Gray, Fran Erven, Michelle Gunderson, Rev. Natasha Pearen

REGRETS: Linda Bertram

Quorum present.

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Wilf Taylor

REFLECTION: Finance and Stewardship - Michelle read a scripture from Mathew and then a reflection entitled "Travel Light" by Travis Jeffords.

NEXT MEETING: Pastoral Care Committee

COUNCIL REPORT TO CONGREGATION: Minutes are on our website.

ADDITION TO THE AGENDA: Agenda amended: The Ministry & Personnel Committee have an item to address - will follow the Financial Report.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA: Agenda for this May 16, 2018 regular meeting.

MOTION: moved by Alf Iverson and seconded by Barry McNabb

"...That we, the Council of the Minnedosa United Church accept the agenda, as amended, for the May 16, 2018 meeting."

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES: Minutes from the March 21, 2018 regular meeting.

MOTION: moved by Judy McFadden and seconded by Fran Erven

"...That we, the Council of the Minnedosa United Church accept the Minutes of the March 21, 2018 meeting as circulated."

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

Ministry Profile Process – Congregational update:

- The congregation will be given an update at our May 20th service.
- We have contacted two candidates, however they are interested in Winnipeg. We have one person from another country expressing some interest.
- An advertisement has been placed in the Observer magazine and on-line site.
- The Ministry Profile committee met with the Worship committee regarding the need for Pulpit supply for the interim period.

August closure/office hours:

- The first 2 weeks of August Michelle will be on vacation so the office will be closed during that time. The office will be open the last two weeks of August.

Xerox machine/contract: All final charges from Xerox have been paid.

Realigning Committee structures:

- An ad hoc committee will be formed in September to look at our committees and see if some committees could be combined.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Churchweb Support: offering a service to set up websites & email accounts for clusters/networks
 - Conversation ensued that we should contact someone to help create a user friendly "coming events" page on our website to copy & paste announcements into.

- Grow-a-Row: idea for a Community Project to each grow a row of vegetables to donate for a community meal in September. Proceeds to M&S or another project.
- The Counselling Centre: donation form and newsletter (posted on bulletin board).
- UCC: MNWO's Justice Committee (JGRPW) are collecting names of contacts for justice related work, for use once the new Regional Council comes into effect. (This letter will be forwarded to the Outreach committee.)
- Report on Piano Maintenance (from Mark Cramer: Registered Piano Technician)

NEW BUSINESS:

- Motion to empower Council Executive to make decisions until next Council meeting

MOTION: moved by Maxine Gray, seconded by Fran Erven

“ . . . That we, the Council of the Minnedosa United Church approve giving the Executive of Council authority to make all decisions related to operation of Minnedosa United Church on behalf of Church Council during the summer months, until the next Council meeting in September.”

CARRIED

REPORTS:

- 1. OFFICE:** Michelle Gunderson
See Appendix U

Requests for use of the Kitchen for commercial purposes: At present we will follow the Facility Use Permit that we currently have in place, and will ask Property committee to insert that it is the responsibility of the user group to obtain the required permit to prepare food in our kitchen.

MOTION: moved by Maxine Gray and seconded by Lorna Hislop

“...That we, the Council of the Minnedosa United Church, recommend that the request for a short term agreement, for the use of the kitchen for a commercial venture be explored further. ”

CARRIED

- 2. FINANCIAL:** Michelle Gunderson
See FS 18-03 and FS 18-04

Financial statements for March 2018 and April 2018 were circulated.
Highlights of each Financial Statement were given by Michelle.

MOTION: moved by Barry McNabb and seconded by Jean Taylor

“...That we, the Council of the Minnedosa United Church, accept the Financial Report for the months of March and April 2018 as circulated, including the cheque register for each of the above months. ”

CARRIED

3. MINISTRY AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

An 'in camera' session was called by the Chairperson at 7:55 pm, regarding Human Resources:

MOTION: moved by Judy McFadden and seconded by Fran Erven

“...That we, the Council of the Minnedosa United Church, go 'in camera' for discussion. ”

CARRIED

MOTION: moved by Barry McNabb and seconded by Fran Erven at 8:40 pm

“...That we, the Council of the Minnedosa United Church, go back in session.”

CARRIED

MOTION: moved by Lorna Hislop, seconded by Fran Erven

“ . . . That we, the Council of the Minnedosa United Church, will not renew the Music Director agreement with Clinton Jeffrey after June 30, 2018 and will offer appropriate severance pay.”

CARRIED

MOTION: moved by Fran Erven, seconded by Jean Taylor

“ . . . That we, the Council of the Minnedosa United Church, pursue hiring a Family Ministries Coordinator/Sunday School Director for the 2018-2019 season (September to May) at \$250.00 per month.”

CARRIED

4. PRESBYTERY: Jean Taylor

See Appendix V

Only 2 more meetings in September and November, and then as of January 2019 our Presbyteries and Conferences will dissolve. Bud Amy and Jean Taylor will also resign as our representatives on Presbytery in January 2019, as well.

5. FUNDRAISING: Garage Sale & Hot Dog Lunch May 19, Fun Fest luncheon July 7

6. NOMINATIONS: Chair Elect, M&P

Discussion around possible amalgamation of committees and the importance of the Ministry and Personnel Committee.

7. COMING EVENTS: VBS July 16-20

8. MINISTER'S REPORT:

See Appendix W

(Natasha read her report to the Council at the close of the meeting.)

MOTION: moved by Julie Hutton, seconded by Fran Erven

“ . . . That we, the Council of the Minnedosa United Church, approve the request by the South Mountain Refugee Sponsorship Committee to use the Hall and Kitchen at no cost on May 29, 2018 for a multi-cultural supper.”

CARRIED

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

A reminder to committees to plan their calendar of events for the year and submit to council / the office – to facilitate scheduling and promotion.

PASTORAL CARE: Alexis Harvey

See Appendix X

CHURCH LIFE: Lorna Hislop

See Appendix Y

LEARNING COMMITTEE: Jean Taylor

See Appendix Z

OUTREACH: Maxine Gray

See Appendix AA

A reminder of the "Singin' it Soft & Easy" concert for Little Bouquet Children's Home here at the church on June 7 & 8.

WORSHIP AND MEMBERSHIP: Julie Hutton

See Appendix AB

The 6 Sundays between Natasha's last service until August have been covered, with the exception of July 8th. Julie made a request for any committees that might be interested in leading Worship that day to let her know. Also, Julie requested that a committee be formed to look at pulpit supply in the fall and upcoming winter months, as the search for a minister continues.

MOTION: moved by Julie Hutton, seconded by Fran Erven

“ . . . That we, Council of the Minnedosa United Church, as recommended by the Worship Committee, approve that there will be no Worship Service held on September 2, 2018.”

CARRIED

MOTION: moved by Julie Hutton, seconded by Jean Taylor

“ . . . That we, Council of the Minnedosa United Church, as recommended by the Worship Committee, approve that in the absence of a minister on staff, a lay person such as family member or friend would be permitted to officiate over a funeral at Minnedosa United Church.”

CARRIED

MOTION: moved by Julie Hutton, seconded by Jean Taylor

“ . . . That we, Council of the Minnedosa United Church, as recommended by the Worship Committee, approve Jacqui Sharpe for confirmation, date to be determined.”

CARRIED

PROPERTY: Alf Iverson

See Appendix AC

The grand piano needs servicing, as recommended by piano technician Mark Cramer, at an estimated cost of \$700-800 per day for up to three days.

MOTION: moved by Alf Iverson, seconded by Judy McFadden

“ . . . That we, the Council of the Minnedosa United Church, as recommended by the Property Committee, approve the payment (approximately \$2,000.00) to service the grand piano, from the Legacy Fund.”

CARRIED

MINISTRY and PERSONNEL: Judy McFadden

See Appendix AD

MOTION: moved by Lorna Hislop, seconded by Jean Taylor

“ . . . That we, Council of the Minnedosa United Church, approve Julie Hutton and Michelle Gunderson as voting delegates representing Minnedosa United Church at the Conference of Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario Annual Meeting May 24-27/18. ”

CARRIED

We approved that Michelle be able to attend Conference Annual Meeting May 24-27/18. M & P Committee will ensure office coverage during this time.

MOTION: moved by Judy McFadden seconded by Barry McNabb

“ . . . That we, Council of the Minnedosa United Church, as recommended by the Ministry and Personnel Committee, approve the request for Michelle Gunderson to attend the Conference Annual Meeting May 24-27/18. The Ministry and Personnel committee will ensure coverage in the office.”

CARRIED

The Committee approved a request from Michelle to attend a Church Office Workers workshop in October.

MOTION: moved by Judy McFadden, seconded by Lorna Hislop

“ . . . That we, Council of the Minnedosa United Church, as recommended by the Ministry and Personnel Committee, approve the request for Michelle to attend a Church Office Workers workshop October 22-24. ”

CARRIED

MOTION: moved by Judy McFadden, seconded by Fran Erven

“ . . . That we, Council of the Minnedosa United Church, as recommended by the Ministry and Personnel Committee, approve the request for Hilton Martinez to be granted holiday leave – unpaid on a pro-rated basis for the period of August 4-15, 2018. ”

CARRIED

HISTORIC ROLL & Archives: Jean Taylor

MOTION: moved by Jean Taylor, seconded by Fran Erven

“ . . . That we, Council of the Minnedosa United Church, as recommended by the Historic Roll Committee, approve the request to remove the following 14 names from the Historic Roll:

**Jacqui Acree
Ross Acree
Richard William Alexander
Don Jones
Dorothy Jones
Colleen Jury
William L. Jury**

**Scott Koetke
Glen McNabb
Patti McNabb
Sandi McNabb
Faun Scott
Glennis Scott
Jane Clark. ”**

CARRIED

FINANCE AND STEWARDSHIP: Barry McNabb

Appendix AE

LEGACY FUND APPLICATIONS:

- Received an application from the Learning Committee to offer a \$1,000.00 honorarium for an individual to coordinate and run the Vacation Bible School in July, and \$1,000.00 for VBS curriculum/supplies. Total request is \$2,000.00.

MOTION: moved by Barry McNabb and seconded by Judy McFadden

“....That we, the Council of the Minnedosa United Church, as recommended by the Finance and Stewardship Committee, approve the request for \$1,000.00 honorarium for an individual to coordinate and run the Vacation Bible School in July and \$1,000.00 for VBS curriculum and supplies from the Legacy fund.”

CARRIED

- Received an application from Michelle Gunderson to cover costs to attend a Church Office Workers retreat October 22–24, 2018 in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. Registration is \$350 plus mileage (paid at a ½ the rate set by General Council = \$.20/km). Requesting up to \$470.00 for total costs.

MOTION: moved by Barry McNabb and seconded by Lorna Hislop

"...That we, the Council of the Minnedosa United Church, as recommended by the Finance and Stewardship Committee, approve the request for up to \$470.00 for Michelle to attend a Church Office Workers retreat October 22–24, 2018 in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan from the Legacy fund. "

CARRIED

- Received an application from Michelle Gunderson and Julie Hutton who will be attending the Conference Annual Meeting along with Natasha Pearen, in Winnipeg on May 24–27, 2018. With registration and hotel for three nights, they will be short \$76.21 from the budgeted amount in the General Fund. Amount requested if \$76.21

Discussion followed and it was suggested that rather than accessing the Legacy Fund, we permit the full amount to be paid from the General Fund.

MOTION: moved by Barry McNabb and seconded by Lorna Hislop

"...That we, the Council of the Minnedosa United Church, as recommended by the Finance and Stewardship Committee, approve the excess amount of 76.21 be paid from the General Fund, for Michelle, Julie and Natasha who will be attending the Conference of MNWO Annual Meeting, in Winnipeg on May 24–27, 2018. "

CARRIED

NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING: September 19, 2018

MOTION: moved by Lorna Hislop

"...That we, the Council of the Minnedosa United Church adjourn this meeting at 9:35 p.m."

Carol Frost, Clerk

Wilf Taylor, Chair

APPENDIX U

OFFICE ADMIN

I assisted the Finance committee with drafting a Spring Appeal letter, and mailing it out in early April.

We had the Public Health Inspector here on April 10th for our annual report on the kitchen. They suggested that we have a cooking probe thermometer on hand, preferably a digital one. We are also reminded to ensure that food contact surfaces need to be washed/rinsed/sanitized (with ½ tsp bleach & 1 litre water solution) after each use. Refrigerator temperatures should be monitored regularly.

Elaine and I have been participating in a series of 4 webinars for church treasures (one per month from March to June).

We have had a gentleman needing to accrue some volunteer hours for a course he's taking, so has been coming for an hour most days. He has been very busy cleaning the upholstery on all of the chairs, washing windows, wiping down all of the wood pews/doors, sweeping sidewalks, spot cleaning walls and helping to haul compost for the flower beds/shrubs. He is a very industrious helper!

We have had an inquiry regarding use of our kitchen to prepare a product to sell at Farmer's Markets. They wondered about using the kitchen two evenings per week. In 2017 we were approved and listed by MB Food & Agri-Product Processing as a Commercial Community Kitchen available to interested food entrepreneurs. Availability and cost are entirely up to us.

I'd like to thank the Ministry Personnel committee, Natasha and Elaine for their support when I've needed time off due to my husband's leg surgery and his various medical appointments.

FACILITY USE SINCE LAST COUNCIL MEETING:

CHURCH: Crochet Club, United We Can (Parent/child group), AOTS, Choir/Junior Choir/Bell Choir, work party's for meat pie sale, coffee party, book study and Spring Smorg

FUNERALS: two

OTHER USER GROUPS: Alex Jackson (lawyer using office occasionally), Zumba, Mdsa & Area Foodbank, 4-H Regional Gathering and 4-H Achievement, Credit Union AGM, Rec. Commission Pre-school music classes, RRSD Inservice, retirement party, Lion's Club anniversary, Rolling River Teacher's Assoc. AGM.

APPENDIX V ASSINIBOINE PRESBYTERY

Presbytery Meeting April 21, 2018 in Shoal Lake MB

Saturday 9:30 am Gathering, Worship: Cyndi Price and Barb Jardine

- David Howell will replace Natasha Pearen as Settlement representative and Donna Couling will be assistant rep.
- The Pastoral Charge supervisor for Minnedosa and Rivers will be Barb Jardine.
- Strathclair United will be putting their church property up for sale
- The Conference UCW AGM was held at St Benedict's Retreat and Conference Centre on April 10 + 11, 2018. There are 11 UCW groups in Assiniboine south and 7 groups in Assiniboine north
- Outreach Justice and Education committee will present 4 proposals to General Council. The focus will be on rural churches.
- Mission and Service idea from Victoria United of Deloraine/Melita/Tilston Pastoral Charge e: "Grow a Row" project

Next Full Court Meeting : September 22, 2018 in Reston MB.

Submitted by Jean Taylor

APPENDIX W MINISTER'S REPORT

Together, in these next few weeks, we are moving into a period of endings and goodbyes. As I prepare to leave, I want to take this opportunity to offer my gratitude for your companionship as we journeyed alongside one another over these last 8 years. The Council and Committees have been a wonderful source of leadership, guidance, commitment, openness and encouragement for me.

I want to acknowledge that the space we now inhabit is a difficult one. In addition to letting go and saying goodbye there is an unknown component that makes us uncomfortable and can be very stressful. I know that this in-between time you are entering into will contain some struggles. Yet, I am confident that you will make good decisions for your future, rooted in the presence of God.

May this difficult space also be a time of uplifting the various gifts and skills for ministry contained within you and other members of Minnedosa United. May the Holy Spirit guide you in service to the church and one another. May it not be overwhelming or exhausting but awe inspiring as you continue to discover new ways of expressing your faith in this place.

Peace,

Natasha Pearen

APPENDIX X PASTORAL CARE COMMITTEE

Meeting held May 10, 2018

PRESENT - Natasha Pearen, Linda Maliteare, Janice Richards, Olive Cameron.

CALL TO ORDER - by Linda Maliteare at 4:40 PM.

- letter from Church Life committee asking if pastoral care would co-ordinate a congregational luncheon after church in October - we agreed and will contact Lorna.
- We would like more members for visiting.
- Two Prayer shawls were given out.
- Linda Bertram will be asked to coordinate PCH church services for July and Aug. There is a helpful book for these services in the middle church office.
- Natasha will orient Lois P to hospital visiting - we hope Cheryl O will help as well.

Meeting closed at 5:30 PM.

Next meeting in Aug.

Recorder - Olive Cameron

APPENDIX Y CHURCH LIFE COMMITTEE

Our Committee met on April 5, 2018

CHURCH CALENDAR

There have been some changes to the 2018 Calendar

- May's Congregational Lunch will be held on May 13th - Learning Committee will be organizing - this is the last Sunday for Sunday School
- June 10th - Grad Sunday - Worship Committee to organize - Fingerfood potluck with cake
- June 17th - Natasha's Farewell - Congregational Lunch - Church Life to organize

SPRING SMORG:

- Thank you to Linda Bertram for Chairing
- very well attended this year
- served 150 plates
- Profit made was \$2211.34

GARAGE SALE - MAY 19TH

- Val Thompson is Chairing Project
- Tables will be offered to rent
- Plan to do BBQ lunch on Front Patio - hot dogs/drinks/ cookies or square
- We are going to have to review this project - seems to be little support

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

Draft was received mid March – revisions were made – anticipate Directories to be received by the end of May. We placed an order for an additional 6 directories to have on hand for new Clergy/families.

FUNDRAISING:

Discussed the following possible ideas:

- Meat Pies – Lois/Carol will help with December fundraiser but will be stepping down as organizers for the upcoming year – will continue to help
 - Princess Ball/High Tea – perhaps in the Fall – on a Sunday afternoon – have little ones come dressed in their “Princess” gowns – have stations such as hair, makeup, make their own tiaras – High tea and dainties with Fairy Godmother
 - Dainty Trays – take order at Xmas – organize as dainty exchange – volunteers to make 1 item – make up the trays
- Paint Night in the Fall?

Submitted by Lorna Hislop

APPENDIX Z LEARNING COMMITTEE

Meeting April 24, 2018

Present: Fran, Jean, Joy W and Natasha

Discussion to buy promotional pens (50 x \$.59) for a sum of \$29.50 plus s/h to be paid using Sunday School budget.

1. Mothers Day and Sunday School celebration will be held on Sunday, May 13. The Learning Committee is supplying the lunch after church.
2. Book Study re: *The Hidden Life of Trees* by Peter Wohlleben concluded on Sunday April 22. A field trip to Moon Lake and Clear Lake is planned for May 16.
3. We are pleased to announce Deana Dupuis will be our co-ordinator for Vacation Bible School, which is scheduled for July 16-23. Natasha will look after publicity, Michelle registration and Jean kitchen staff.
4. A Sunday School meeting was held April 29, 2018 to discuss plans for Sunday School and Junior Choir for September 2018. Present were Joy J, Jean, Fran and Stacey. Sunday School collection will be given to Little Bouquet.
5. A Learning Committee meeting is planned for the last week of June. The focus will be the plans for Vacation Bible School.

Submitted by Jean Taylor

APPENDIX AA OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Members: Nicole McLenehan, Mary Dalton, Maxine Gray, Natasha Pearen (Jan Macey has stepped down from the Outreach Committee).

Outreach Committee met on April 24, 2018. We were joined by Barb Kingdon and focused on planning the worship service for April 29th, when Barb will speak about her recent trip to the Little Bouquet Children’s Home in Haiti.

Discussion also took place regarding organizing the fundraiser for Little Bouquet Children’s Home, music concerts planned for June 7 & 8, 2018 – A Tribute to Broadway.

We reviewed issues related to supporting parent-child programming facilitated by Denise Dewar, as United We Can programming (advertising, applying for another grant from Assiniboine North Parent Child Coalition).

Submitted by: Maxine Gray

APPENDIX AB WORSHIP & MEMBERSHIP

April 19, 2018

Thank you to Outreach Committee and Barb Kingdon for their worship service on April 29 which was Natasha's 5th Sunday in April.

May 27 Conference Sunday - Choir will use the conference program and a live stream of the reflection will be available for the congregation to watch as part of the service.

June 3 will be communion and confirmation.

June 10 will be Grad Sunday. Finger food potluck after church and cake!!

Natasha's last worship service is June 17 and there will be lunch after church.

We will provide pulpit supply for June 24.

Joint Community Service for July 1. More details to follow.

It was agreed that the committee would hire pulpit supply for 2 of the other July Sundays and would find committees or would prepare worship for 2 of the July Sundays. If other committees could please look at their schedules and offer a time when they might be able to lead worship and let Julie know.

The committee will also be looking ahead to Sept and Oct and have pulpit supply ready in the possible absence of a new minister.

Our committee is taking an inventory of the church library and will continue to put out books/DVDs etc. throughout the year. New banners are currently in the making.

APPENDIX AC PROPERTY COMMITTEE

The Property Committee continues to oversee the operations of our building.

The committee has not met, however there is one item of business for the May 16/18 Council meeting. The church received a report from Mark Cramer regarding our grand piano. The report centres on the fact that the piano keys are stiff. This problem has been mentioned in the past especially when the Festival of the Arts uses our facility.

Notice of Motion:

That we arrange to have the grand piano repaired (est approx \$2000), and the money required be taken from the Memorial Account.

APPENDIX AD MINISTRY AND PERSONNEL

Meeting April 25, 2018

PRESENT: Dave Walker, Terry McLenehan, Judy McFadden, Linda Bertram

Dave read the minutes from the meeting of Feb 28/18

Terry reported his work with the development of the performance review and a diary for process and procedure. He will refer to the information in the Resource for Ministry & Personnel Committee.

Judy expressed a concern about monitoring vacation/study leave/sick days/family sick days. Terry shared a form from his office that could be adapted to meet our needs.

The Committee approved a request from Natasha to visit a congregation member who is a patient at St Boniface hospital. We recommend that her mileage be paid for this visit.

We approved that Michelle attend Conference Annual Meeting May 24-27/18. M & P Committee will ensure office coverage during this time. The Committee also approved a request from Michelle to attend a Church Office Workers workshop in October. The Office Administrator's Position guide will be updated to include the Family Sick Leave policy.

Linda reported on the M & P workshop that she attended in Brandon on April 14. A binder has been made up of the latest M & P resources and will be read by the members at their leisure. The binder will be left at the office for committee members to access.

Next Meeting: to be determined.

APPENDIX AE FINANCE COMMITTEE

The committee met on Wednesday May 9th, 2018 @ 9:30 am.

Phyllis Graham, Lorraine Sleep, Michelle Gunderson and Barry McNabb were present. Elaine Thomson and Natasha Pearen were absent.

Reviewed the March and April financial statements.

Spring Appeal has been very positive and currently nearing our budgeted amount of \$13,000. Our bank balance is (- \$1,100) for the end of April.

We had discussion about Thank You's and decided to make phone calls as has been done in the recent past. Phyllis has offered to phone some people and Barry will contact Alexis H. to see if she would help.

Legacy Fund Applications:

- Received an application from the Learning Committee to offer a \$1,000.00 honorarium for an individual to coordinate and run the Vacation Bible School in July. Also the committee is requesting \$1,000.00 for VBS curriculum/supplies. Total request is \$2,000.00.
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Finance committee recommends that Council approve these 3 Legacy application requests.

Last year Minnedosa United Church, through the Legacy Fund, sponsored a number of youth to attend the Rock Lake Church Camp. Would Council approve sponsorship for 2018 if an application was received from a youth to attend Rock Lake or any other church camp?

Michelle brought to the finance committee's attention that our Presbytery assessment for this year is \$5,092.00. Next year's target assessment (with the new church structure) could be around \$6,813.00 (net revenue x 4.5%).

MNP has been doing the annual Charity Return for Minnedosa United Church at a cost of about \$400.00. Jean G, Carol L and Julie H would like to look into processing the 2017 Charity Return ourselves. It would need to be completed by June/2018. This would save the cost of MNP fee.

Discussion took place on the Minnedosa United Church financial situation for the summer and into the fall. After June 30th there will be no wages needed to pay for a minister and with no worship services in August, no honorariums for August. It was felt that we should be able to continue to meet our present staffing wage costs for the remaining employees.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, September 5th, 2018
Meeting adjourned by 12:00 noon.

Submitted by Barry McNabb