

**Parish of Holy Trinity  
Vestry**

Sunday, 25 September 2022  
following morning worship

P = present    R = regrets    A = absent

Members			
P	Ritchie Arthurson		P Rob Loudfoot
P	Karen Bender*		R The Rev. Donald McKenzie*
P	Sandra Bender* (Chair)		R Michael Minor*
R	Be Buckingham		P Olushola Ojeleye
R	Janice Headley		P The Rev. Andrew Rampton*
P	Zilla Jones		P Joan Steer*
P	Joan Lloyd*		P Ross Steer*

Guests and Observers			

\* ex officio member

Call to Order

Sandra Bender called the meeting to order at 12:17 PM with the acknowledgement of the land and an opening prayer.

Acceptance of Agenda

**MOTION: Zilla Jones/Rob Loudfoot**

That the agenda be accepted as presented with the addition of item 5 on COVID-19 protocols.

For:                      Unanimous

CARRIED

Business Arising from Minutes

1.     Update on Organ Repairs  
One set of parts is yet to be received by Steve Miller but the work should be completed before Christmas.
  
2.     Emmanuel Mission Learning Centre Fundraising  
Holy Trinity’s portion of the fundraising over summer raised about \$1,700 for Emmanuel Mission.

3. **Result of Sump Pump Inspection**  
KGS was hired to inspect the sump during a pump replacement by J Hansen. More debris than was expected in the bottom of the sump pit, but not problematic. The condition of the concrete in the pit is not ideal but neither disastrous. KGS recommended another inspection in five years (2027).

#### Correspondence

- I. **PWRDF Grow Hope**  
Requested an annual donation as in past years.

#### **MOTION: Zilla Jones/Ross Steer**

That the parish donate \$350 to PWRDF Grow Hope.

For: Unanimous

CARRIED

#### Topics

- I. **Financial Report**  
Ritchie Arthurson commented on the circulated financial statements. Endowment Trust interest is currently down due to the state of the markets, but the overall payout is up over the last year. Expenses are under good control. Offering and parking lot remain below budgeted figures.

There was extended discussion about the cashflow in the parish. As our expenses continue to exceed revenues, the overdraft creeps closer to its limit. This is not sustainable long-term and a plan is needed to address this trend.

The vestry agreed to brainstorm on ways to raise funds, ideally external to the parish, and return to the next meeting ready to plan ways to engage this situation.

#### **MOTION: Ritchie Arthurson/Karen Bender**

That the financial statements be received as presented.

For: Unanimous

CARRIED

2. **Outdoor Greenspace for Shared Use Proposal**  
Andrew Rampton presented the proposal from Wawanesa/True North regarding shared greenspace. Lengthy discussion was had about the potential benefits, detriments, and possible conflicts with having a daycare greenspace in the churchyard. At this point, Wawanesa/True North wants only to pursue the idea in discussion. There is no commitment to any plan or partnership at this point.

#### **MOTION: Andrew Rampton/Rob Loudfoot**

That the parish agree to meet with Wawanesa/True North to discuss the idea further.

For: Unanimous

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3. Synod 2022  
Diocesan Synod is being held on 14/15 October 2022. Karen Bender and Ross Steer are the parish lay delegates.
4. Clergy Study Leave  
Andrew Rampton will be on study leave 16-27 October 2022.
5. COVID-19 Protocols  
Discussion was had about COVID-19 protocols in place in the parish and possible changes. Andrew Rampton will send a pastoral letter reminding people of the protocols in place and encouraging people to get booster vaccination shots.

**MOTION: Rob Loudfoot/Joan Lloyd**

That the current protocols (masks required, spacing strongly recommended) remain in place without change. Protocols will be reviewed again at least in Advent prior to increased attendance for Christmas.

For: Unanimous

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Minutes of Current Meeting

Andrew Rampton read the minutes to the vestry.

**MOTION: Andrew Rampton/Sandra Bender**

That the minutes be accepted as read.

For: Unanimous

CARRIED

Next Vestry Meeting

Sunday, 30 October 2022.

Closing Prayer

Those present recited together the Doxology.

Adjournment

The business of the agenda concluded, the meeting was adjourned at 1:51 PM.