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**Minutes**

**Kincardine United Church Trustee Committee Special Meeting**

**By Zoom**

**Friday April 9 2021 10 AM**

**Present:** Jack Nancekivell (chair), Joan Norris (recording secretary, Stu Mowry, Gregg McClelland, Art Danahy

**Regrets:** Gord Dunbar

1. Call to order: Jack Nancekivell

2. Approval of the agenda by consensus

3. Minutes of February 12, 2021; approved (Stu Mowry moved, Gregg McClelland seconded)

4. Business arising: none

5. The request from the Council chair, Rod Coates, to review the Land Title and Deed as part of the Regional review process. Jack Nancekivell reported that we had already looked at this in 2017 and found everything in order; the church is properly registered and documents are available at the Registry Office in Walkerton. This satisfies the requirements of the Regional Waterways review.

6. The request received by Gregg McClelland from Ecclesiastical Insurance for further fire and security protection on the Kincardine United Church facility.

- Twelve battery operated smoke alarms have been installed. A Quotation from Georgian Bay Alarm Services has been requested to provide a wired-in

system. It is anticipated that a wired system will be too costly and unnecessary.

- An alarm system also considered unnecessary in our highly visible location, as well as being too expensive.
- Liability: a system for logging snow shoveling etc. has been instituted in case of an injury claim.
- A form is to be provided by the Insurance Company to record any incidents of accident that occur on KUC property.

There was extensive discussion from the trustees on the cost and coverage provided by our current insurers. Gregg McClelland will investigate other possible Insurance carriers.

## 7. Other reports

Investments: Art Danahy reported that in February, 2020, the value of our investments was \$109, 253.00. Currently, the value is \$94,714.19.

There was extensive discussion from all Trustees regarding church's finances. We are running low on funds, especially from givings. Special project requests tend to do better. Jack noted that we cannot let our investments fall below \$60,000 because of the conditions of two bequests.

Further discussion on budgeting and spending by various committees of the Church. Significant concern was expressed by the Trustees that we are living beyond our means. We may need to restrict the funding we provide to other causes.

It was recommended that Trustees voice their opinions and concerns strongly and more clearly at congregational meetings where the budget is discussed. Everyone needs to remember that the budget is a financial plan not a promise.

8. Adjournment:moved by Stu Mowry, seconded by Gregg McClelland.