



MINUTES FOR COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, October 31, 2024

Held in the Fellowship Hall at 11:30 a.m.

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Council Members Deb Gill (Chair), Roger Hyatt (Vice-Chair), Mary McFadden (Council Secretary), Virginia Scott (Christian Development), Lois Gill (Fellowship & Outreach), Lori Hyatt – (Finance/Treasurer), Janice Sinker (Grand Bend Place), Rev. Nancy Knowles (Minister), Steve Northey (Ministry & Personnel & Stewardship), Christine Wilde (Office Administration) Debbie Procter (Property Management), Glen Miller (Trustees), Karen Etherington (Worship & Music), Peter Challen (WOW Representative),

Members Present: Deb Gill, Roger Hyatt, Mary McFadden, Virginia Scott, Lois Gill, Lori Hyatt, Janice Sinker, Steve Northey, Debbie Procter, Glen Miller, Peter Challen (left at 12:30), Karen Etherington, Nancy Knowles, Christine Wilde

Guest: Carolyn Brophy – left at 11:50 a.m.

Quorum Present

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER – Deb Gill: 11:30 a.m.
2. APPOINT AN EQUITY MONITOR: Janice Sinker
3. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TERRITORY (READ ALOUD BY COUNCIL)
4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Deb Gill:
 - **MOTION** that the agenda be approved as amended. Moved, seconded and carried.
 - **Amendments:** request that Finance report directly after the approval of the agenda and that Ministry and Personnel follow with an “In Camera” session.
 - **FINANCE – Lori Hyatt:** Refer to Income & Expenses (Jan – Aug – attachment #1 & Jan – Sep – attachment #2) and Balance Sheet – attachment #3
 - **Lori expressed** that her submitted reports were straight forward.
 - **The finance team** has approved a procedure for the handling of funds received (Food Pantry, GBP for example).
 - **Cash flow** remains a concern. Funds coming in are less than our expenses. However, the finance team is becoming more optimistic.
 - **Spoke on the upcoming Finance Round Table Meeting.** This will be held on November 24 directly after worship. Details will be in Shorelines. Purpose is to explain some of the workings of the finance team. All are welcome to attend. Depending on the outcome of this meeting there may be more.

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- **Newer Photo Copier** – will be arriving mid December. Many upgrades, advanced technology and will have tracking ability. All this and it will be less expensive.
- Spoke on outstanding Food Pantry Funds and future monthly expenses.
- Team chairs will be given a budget sheet for 2025.
- Lori was complimented for all her hard work.
- **MINISTRY AND PERSONNEL – STEVE NORTHEY:**
 - In Camera at: 11:50 p.m. Moved seconded and carried.
 - Out of Camera at: 12:15 p.m. Moved, seconded and carried.

5. OPENING MEDITATION AND PRAYER – Rev. Nancy Knowles

Break for lunch: 12:20 p.m. Resumed at 12:45 p.m.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE – Deb Gill

- **Email - Request for funds from Jingle Bell group (attachment #4)**– after a brief discussion, Council agreed to support this request by giving an amount as funds become available.
- **Verbal – Observation/concern regarding the Veteran Honour Rolls not displayed.** An individual has expressed this concern and feels strongly that the Honour Rolls need to be displayed. Deb explained that there was a motion passed a few years ago that the sanctuary walls would be bare of any artifacts. There are two Honour Rolls and they are displayed every Remembrance Day service. Deb will share this information with this individual.

7. REVIEW & APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- **MOTION that the August 29,2024 Council minutes by approved as distributed.**
Moved, seconded and carried.

8. BUSINESS ARISING

- **Emergency numbers with Fire and Police** – will provide this list in next couple of weeks.
- **Festival of Trees**
 - Meeting October 28th
 - Team decided:
 - to run a 'proof of concept' cut back version given our timelines.
 - November 29 p.m. decorated trees to our sanctuary
 - November 30 from 2:00 - 6 p.m. No cost admission. Silent Auction for any trees available, wreaths and Christmas baking for sale
 - There were some questions about how all this would work. Deb assured that details were well discussed and reiterated that this is a 'proof of concept'!

9. NEW BUSINESS

- **Pantry update** including opening, financial procedures, further volunteer training – under Team Reports
- **Grant update:** Sunset Community Foundation and Seeds of Hope – waiting as to being approved. Will not apply for a Trillium grant.

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- **Harvest Chicken BBQ update** – a meeting was held just before Council met. The Harvest dinner was a success. After a round table discussion, it was decided that two fundraising dinners would be organized. One in the spring at the Legion with a silent auction and one in the fall at the church. There will be opportunities for other smaller fundraising initiatives.
 - **Remembrance Wreath** – The Legion will have a different format for 2024. Many of the wreaths will be placed ahead of the ceremony with a select amount being part of the ceremony.

10. TEAM REPORTS (attachment #5) – shown are additional comments to the submitted team reports. Deb expressed appreciation to all the team chairs for their reports and the work that they do.

- **PROPERTY – Debbie Procter:**
 - Flag up and security cameras on Pantry – important to get going.
 - Digital sign – software glitch. Being worked on
- **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION – Virginia Scott:** The Angel Tree will be placed in a visible spot.
- **WORSHIP & MUSIC – Karen Etherington:** After a brief discussion on the recommendation that our Christmas Eve service this year be at 4:30 p.m. a motion was made.
 - **MOTION that that our Christmas Eve service this year be at 4:30 p.m. Moved, seconded and carried.**
- **Cantata at Thamesview** – will be held at 2:00 p.m.
- **Elva McIntyre** – this will be her last Christmas Eve as Music Director.
- **FELLOWSHIP & OUTREACH – Lois Gill:**
 - **Membership – Mary McFadden:** Barb Cook’s name was missing for the list of new members being accepted on June 2, 2024.
 - **MOTION to accept Barb Cook into full membership retroactive from June 2, 2024. Moved, seconded and carried.**
 - **Donated fridge/freezer** - discussion on and where to put them.
- **TRUSTEES – Glen Miller:** Next meeting will be scheduled in January

11. EQUITY MONITOR – Janice Sinker

12. NEXT MEETING: November 28, 2024 in the Fellowship Hall

13. MOTION to adjourn at 1:20 p.m.

Deb Gill,
Acting Council Chair

Mary McFadden
Council Secretary

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Huron Shores United Church
Income and Expense Statement
Consolidated - January 2024 - August 2024

		Jan-Aug 2024	YTD Budget	2023 YTD Actual
INCOME				
FUNDS DEVELOPMENT				
Operating	4030	\$74,885.21	\$73,333.36	\$73,121.47
Special Envelopes	4045	0.00	10,000.00	0.00
Accessibility	4047	0.00	0.00	3,069.00
Right Relations	4048	0.00	0.00	5,025.00
Grocery Card Prgm	4055	2,853.00	3,333.36	2,538.00
HST Rebate	4060	4,822.20	2,666.64	3,125.31
Fundraising Event Income	4065	17,369.08	0.00	0.00
Subtotal Funds Development		99,929.49	89,333.36	86,878.78
GRAND BEND PLACE				
GBP Ticket Sales	4110	27,363.70	18,833.36	9,800.82
GBP Donations & Sponsors	4110-001	6,180.20	6,666.64	6,500.00
GBP Other Income	4110-002	0.00	0.00	305.10
GBP Jazz Vespers	4110-003	1,026.40	1,400.00	0.00
GBP Sunset Cinema	4110-004	1,000.00	0.00	0.00
Subtotal Grand Bend Place		35,570.30	26,900.00	16,605.92
TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED				
Community Outreach	4205	400.00	4,333.36	3,654.62
Food Bank Receipts	4210-102	1,849.00	1,333.36	1,195.00
Mission & Service	4220-103	8,301.80	8,333.36	8,065.80
Subtotal Temporarily Restricted		10,550.80	14,000.08	12,915.42
MISCELLANEOUS INCOME				
Bldg & Debt Retirement	4615	14,882.00	16,666.64	14,992.80
Useage Fees & Misc.	4621	2,651.40	2,333.36	3,048.00
Jazz Vesspers	4622-003	0.00	0.00	-301.81
Subtotal Miscellaneous Income		17,533.40	19,000.00	17,738.99
TOTAL INCOME		163,583.99	149,233.44	134,139.11

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Expenses		Jan-Aug 2024	YTD Budget	2023 YTD Actual
Fixed Expenses				
Salaries & Honorariums		76,995.56	80128.32	33529.78
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE				
Technology/Social Media	5414	1,370.00	2,000.00	2,795.78
Bank Charges	5420	1,235.13	933.36	1,634.86
Legal & Audit	5421	0.00	333.36	0.00
Office Supplies	5430	589.74	1,333.36	739.68
Postage	5440	101.78	333.36	50.00
Church Phones	5517	1,134.19	1,200.00	1,212.29
Copier Lease	5583	2,518.43	2,000.00	4,020.52
Community Wellness Exp	5585	164.53	666.64	427.62
Subtotal Administrative Expense		7,113.80	8,800.08	10,880.75
BUILDING & GROUNDS				
UTILITIES				
Electricity and Water	5635	5,220.71	7,000.00	7,637.04
Gas	5655	1,612.19	2,000.00	2,197.73
Subtotal Utilities		6,832.90	9,000.00	9,834.77
PROPERTY MANGEMENT				
Building Maint & Repair	5701	518.34	2,666.64	6,451.07
Equipment Maint & Repair	5702	101.18	1,000.00	3,351.25
Lift Main & Rep	5703	2,381.40	2,333.36	8,012.68
Kitchen Working Group	5705	593.60	200.00	96.69
Supplies & Services	5710	132.23	333.36	0.00
Property Taxes	5715	113.00	100.00	112.00
Service Contracts	5720	541.93	1,666.64	1,663.13
Support Contracts	5726	187.09	333.36	457.76
Insurance	5760	0.00	5,000.00	0.00
Landscaping	5810	0.00	133.36	1,288.20
Lawn Service	5820	0.00	166.64	551.02
Outside Working Group	5830	0.00	333.36	262.90
Subtotal Property Mangement		4,568.77	14,266.72	22,246.70
Subtotal Building & Grounds		11,401.67	23,266.72	32,081.47
Subtotal Fixed Expenses		95,511.03	112,195.12	76,492.00

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DEPARTMENTS/COMMITTEES				
COF SUPPORT				
Congregational Care	6040	56.00	100.00	56.06
Card Ministry (postage)	6050	0.00	66.64	0.00
Prayer Shawl	6145	0.00	0.00	-100.00
Subtotal Cof Support		56.00	166.64	-43.94
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION				
Other	6211	0.00	133.36	0.00
Camps	6225	-390.00	266.64	562.37
Church Picnic	6226	0.00	133.36	0.00
Subtotal Christian Education		-390.00	533.36	562.37
WORSHIP				
Sanctuary Supplies	6278	0.00	166.64	0.00
Advertising - Newspaper	6279-001	0.00	0.00	141.25
Choir - Summer Music	6281	0.00	0.00	400.00
Music Supplies	6285	552.73	666.64	615.20
Audio/Visual Equipment	6295	0.00	0.00	87.01
Worship Special Projects	6298	299.62	200.00	474.55
Embellishment Group	6299	0.00	133.36	0.00
Subtotal Worship		852.35	1,166.64	1,718.01
MISSION & OUTREACH				
Community Outreach	6320	1,361.36	2,333.36	1,208.10
Right Relations	6330	40.55	333.36	932.11
Prayer Shawl	6340	250.00	100.00	0.00
Food Bank	6360	0.00	1,333.36	0.00
Affirming	6365	0.00	0.00	3,596.25
Accessibility	6375	0.00	0.00	5,836.46
Subtotal Mission & Outreach		1,651.91	4,100.08	5,836.46
GRAND BEND PLACE				
GBP Performers	6401	15,567.45	11,033.36	8,083.00
GBP Advertising	6402	0.00	1,666.64	956.91
GBP Food & Lodging	6403	1,833.07	1,500.00	951.46
GBP Fees & Licenses	6405	4,604.66	3,970.00	1,413.12
GBP Tech/Social Media	6406	1,425.79	1,666.64	1,200.00
GBP Other	6407	849.30	200.00	211.00
GBP Jazz Vespers	6408	921.66	2,000.00	0.00
Subtotal Grand Bend Place		25,201.93	22,036.64	12,815.49
Stewardship	6430	375.13	666.64	0.00
Mission and Service	6460	8,301.80	8,333.36	6,148.12
OTHER EXP-COUNCIL				
Council Discretionary	6610	161.59	333.36	0.00
Minister Discretionary	6611	0.00	333.36	0.00
Affirming	6612	286.99	166.64	0.00
Accessibility	6613	0.00	333.36	0.00
Debenture Payments	6615	10,000.00	10,166.64	10,000.00
Denominational Assessmnt	6620	4,673.25	4,333.36	4,676.25
Mortgage Payments	6630	13,440.00	13,440.00	13,440.00
Fundraising Event Expense	6665	4,256.39	0.00	0.00
Fundraising Profit Transfer	6665-001	13,000.00	0.00	0.00
Subtotal Other Exp-council		45,818.22	29,106.72	28,116.25
Subtotal Departments/committees		81,867.34	66,110.08	55,152.76
TOTAL EXPENSES		177,378.37	178,305.20	131,644.76
EXCESS INCOME/EXPENSES		-\$13,794.38	-\$29,071.76	\$2,494.35

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INCOME				
Operating	4030	\$83,299.21	\$82,500.03	\$80,630.47
Special Envelopes	4045	0.00	11,250.00	0.00
Accessibility	4047	0.00	0.00	3,069.00
Right Relations	4048	0.00	0.00	5,025.00
Grocery Card Prgm	4055	3,105.00	3,750.03	2,777.00
HST Rebate	4060	4,822.20	2,999.97	3,125.31
Fundraising Event Income	4065	17,397.08	0.00	0.00
Subtotal Funds Development	4010	108,623.49	100,500.03	94,626.78
GRAND BEND PLACE				
GBP Ticket Sales	4110	27,363.70	21,187.53	9,800.82
GBP Donations & Sponsors	4110-001	6,180.20	7,499.97	6,500.00
GBP Other Income	4110-002	155.00	0.00	305.10
GBP Jazz Vespers	4110-003	1,026.40	1,575.00	0.00
GBP Sunset Cinema	4110-004	1,000.00	0.00	0.00
Subtotal Grand Bend Place		35,725.30	30,262.50	16,605.92
TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED				
Community Outreach	4205	400.00	4,875.03	4,835.42
Food Bank Receipts	4210-102	1,924.00	1,500.03	1,430.00
Mission & Service	4220-103	9,228.15	9,375.03	9,152.15
Subtotal Temporarily Restricted		11,552.15	15,750.09	15,417.57
MISCELLANEOUS INCOME				
Bldg & Debt Retirement	4615	17,322.00	18,749.97	16,497.80
Useage Fees & Misc.	4621	2,851.40	2,625.03	3,048.00
Jazz Vesspers	4622-003	0.00	0.00	-301.81
Subtotal Miscellaneous Income		20,173.40	21,375.00	19,243.99
TOTAL INCOME		176,074.34	167,887.62	145,894.26

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As of October 18/24 EXPENSES	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	YTD Prior Year
Subtotal Salaries & Honorariums	86,872.61	90,144.36	41,712.18
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE			
Technology/Social Media 5414	1,689.17	2,250.00	2,795.78
Bank Charges 5420	1,372.74	1,050.03	1,798.15
Legal & Audit 5421	0.00	375.03	0.00
Office Supplies 5430	589.74	1,500.03	966.86
Postage 5440	101.78	375.03	50.00
Church Phones 5517	1,292.16	1,350.00	1,381.95
Copier Lease 5583	2,518.43	2,250.00	4,020.52
Community Wellness Exp 5585	360.99	749.97	464.16
Subtotal Administrative Expense	7,925.01	9,900.09	11,477.42
BUILDING & GROUNDS UTILITIES			
Electricity and Water 5635	6,304.03	7,875.00	8,458.04
Gas 5655	1,685.95	2,250.00	2,379.58
Subtotal Utilities	7,989.98	10,125.00	10,837.62
PROPERTY MANGEMENT			
Building Maint & Repair 5701	518.34	2,999.97	6,451.07
Equipment Maint & Repair 5702	101.18	1,125.00	3,351.25
Lift Main & Rep 5703	2,643.90	2,625.03	8,262.68
Kitchen Working Group 5705	593.60	225.00	96.69
Supplies & Services 5710	132.23	375.03	0.00
Property Taxes 5715	113.00	112.50	112.00
Service Contracts 5720	541.93	1,874.97	1,663.13
Support Contracts 5726	187.09	375.03	457.76
Insurance 5760	2,723.04	5,625.00	7,250.04
Landscaping 5810	0.00	150.03	1,288.20
Lawn Service 5820	0.00	187.47	551.02
Outside Working Group 5830	0.00	375.03	262.90
Subtotal Property Mangement	7,554.31	16,050.06	29,746.74
Subtotal Building & Grounds	15,544.29	26,175.06	40,584.36
Subtotal Fixed Expenses	110,341.91	126,219.51	93,773.96

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DEPARTMENTS/COMMITTEES				
COF SUPPORT				
Congregational Care	6040	56.00	112.50	56.06
Card Ministry (postage)	6050	0.00	74.97	0.00
Prayer Shawl	6145	0.00	0.00	-100.00
Subtotal COF Support		56.00	187.47	-43.94
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION				
Other	6211	0.00	150.03	0.00
Camps	6225	-236.45	299.97	562.37
Church Picnic	6226	0.00	150.03	0.00
Subtotal Christian Education		-236.45	600.03	562.37
WORSHIP				
Sanctuary Supplies	6278	0.00	187.47	0.00
Advertising - Newspaper	6279-001	0.00	0.00	141.25
Choir - Summer Music	6281	0.00	0.00	400.00
Music Supplies	6285	651.43	749.97	615.20
Audio/Visual Equipment	6295	0.00	0.00	87.01
Worship Special Projects	6298	299.62	225.00	474.55
Embellishment Group	6299	0.00	150.03	0.00
Subtotal Worship		951.05	1,312.47	1,718.01
MISSION & OUTREACH				
Community Outreach	6320	1,361.36	2,625.03	1,819.65
Right Relations	6330	40.55	375.03	1,250.73
Prayer Shawl	6340	250.00	112.50	0.00
Food Bank	6360	0.00	1,500.03	0.00
Affirming	6365	0.00	0.00	100.00
Accessibility	6375	0.00	0.00	3,596.25
Subtotal Mission & Outreach		1,651.91	4,612.59	6,766.63
GRAND BEND PLACE				
GBP Performers	6401	15,567.45	12,412.53	8,083.00
GBP Advertising	6402	0.00	1,874.97	2,829.91
GBP Food & Lodging	6403	1,833.07	1,687.50	951.46
GBP Fees & Licenses	6405	4,604.66	4,466.25	1,413.12
GBP Tech/Social Media	6406	1,452.37	1,874.97	1,200.00
GBP Other	6407	849.30	225.00	211.00
GBP Jazz Vespers	6408	921.66	2,250.00	0.00
Subtotal Grand Bend Place		25,228.51	24,791.22	14,688.49
Stewardship	6430	375.13	749.97	0.00
Mission and Service	6460	9,228.15	9,375.03	7,234.47
OTHER EXP-COUNCIL				
Council Discretionary	6610	161.59	375.03	0.00
Minister Discretionary	6611	0.00	375.03	0.00
Affirming	6612	280.48	187.47	0.00
Accessibility	6613	0.00	375.03	0.00
Debenture Payments	6615	10,000.00	11,437.47	10,000.00
Denominational Assessmnt	6620	4,673.25	4,875.03	4,676.25
Mortgage Payments	6630	15,120.00	15,120.00	15,120.00
Fundraising Event Expense	6665	4,256.39	0.00	0.00
Fundraising Profit Transfer	6665-001	13,000.00	0.00	0.00
Subtotal Other Exp-council		47,491.71	32,745.06	29,796.25
Subtotal Departments/committees		84,746.01	74,373.84	60,722.28
TOTAL EXPENSES		195,087.92	200,593.35	154,496.24
EXCESS INCOME/EXPENSES		-\$19,013.58	-\$32,705.73	-\$8,601.98

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Balance Sheet
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		Current Year	Previous Year	
ASSETS				
BANK ACCOUNTS				
CHEQUING ACCOUNTS				
	General Operating Acct	1110	\$65,181.89	\$104,881.10
	GBP Account	1110-001	0.00	4,248.91
Subtotal Chequing Accounts		1100	65,181.89	109,130.01
SAVINGS ACCOUNTS				
	ING Bank Account	1220	0.00	10.36
	Land Account (BofC Held)	1225	11,312.10	11,007.10
	Petty Cash	1230	0.00	264.07
Subtotal Savings Accounts		1200	11,312.10	11,281.53
Subtotal Bank Accounts		1050	76,493.99	120,411.54
FIXED ASSETS				
BUILDINGS				
	Building Reno-Total Costs	1601	2,795,075.00	2,795,075.00
OTHER ASSETS				
	Fund Raising Proceeds	1935	-2,441,787.00	-2,441,787.00
	PST - Paid	1936	489.53	0.00
	GST - Paid	1937	211.25	0.00
Subtotal Other Assets			-2,441,086.22	-2,441,787.00
Subtotal Fixed Assets			353,988.78	353,288.00
TOTAL ASSETS			\$430,482.77	\$473,699.54

LIABILITIES

Liabilities - Mortgage	2001-102	\$0.00	\$193,288.00
Acts Pble-Vitality Fitnes	2002	616.94	1,600.00
Pre Paid Expense	2003	0.00	2,114.54
GBP Prepaid Expense	2003-001	0.00	-2,500.00
Def Community Wellness	2008	12,129.02	27,853.09
Debenture Accural	2009	26,382.00	26,382.00
CURRENT LIABILITIES	2010		
Food Bank Bank Balance	2012	0.00	1,115.00
Liability - Debentures	2014	0.00	160,000.00
Grant - Tech - Sunset	2015	0.00	6,427.97
Grant - Food - Sunset	2015-001	662.49	0.00
Grant - Rotary - Pantry	2015-002	10,000.00	0.00
Summer Jobs	2016	0.00	-126.00
Grant - Right Relations	2017	4,778.83	0.00
Comm Bulletin Board Proj	2018	800.00	0.00
GB Food Pantry Operating	2020	3,398.07	0.00
Subtotal Current Liabilities		19,639.39	167,416.97
PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS			
Misc. Payroll Deductions	2203	0.00	-202.98
TAXES PAYABLE			
Payroll Tax Payable	2215	-0.16	-46.56
Access. Grant/Donation	2217	500.00	-364.36
EI Payable	2218	-21.72	-27.38
CPP Payable	2222	-96.98	-96.98
Local Taxes Payable	2230	0.00	-15.00
Subtotal Taxes Payable		381.14	-550.28
OTHER DEDUCTIONS			
Disability Ins. Withheld	2285	0.00	594.68
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES			
MORTGAGES & LOANS			
UCC Mortgage	2611	176,667.42	0.00
Debentures Outstanding	2612	105,000.00	0.00
CEBA Loan	2615	9,234.14	10,000.00
Subtotal Long-term Liabilities		290,901.56	10,000.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES		350,050.05	425,996.02
NET ASSETS			
UNRESTRICTED			
Net Profit/Loss	3110	\$253,464.63	\$220,735.43
DONOR RESTRICTED			
TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED			
Food Bank	3210-102	-10,084.34	-10,084.34
Mission & Service	3220-103	-162,947.57	-162,947.57
Subtotal Temporarily Restricted	3201	-173,031.91	-173,031.91
Subtotal Donor Restricted	3200	-173,031.91	-173,031.91
TOTAL EQUITY		80,432.72	47,703.52
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		\$430,482.77	\$473,699.54

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Fwd: Jingle Bells Sponsorship

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From: **Celynne Grewe** <celynne.grewe@century21.ca>

Date: Sun, Sep 15, 2024 at 1:39 PM

Subject: Jingle Bells Sponsorship

To: <huronthoresunitedchurch@gmail.com>

Hi Christine,

I'm reaching out on behalf of the Jingle Bells committee regarding your sponsorship of one of our large metal ornaments. We're grateful for your assistance in our efforts to bring some Holiday Spirit to our town, and hopefully draw some off season traffic to our local businesses and services. This year we are planning a display of the sponsorship ornaments around the traffic circle at the beach for maximum exposure and recognition, and we hope we can continue to count on your support. The current ornament plaques predate Covid, and we find at this time we need to update the roster. Going forward we are requesting a \$300 donation for a three year sponsorship, these funds are essential for the lights, decorations and supplies our volunteers use in the various seasonal displays, and for our Light-Up Night Festivities. We greatly appreciate your past support, and look forward to hearing from you soon!

Kind regards,

Celynne Grewe

289-339-1824

Century 21 First Canadian Corp., Brokerage



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COMMUNITY WELLNESS COORDINATOR: **Christine Wilde**

- Thank you everyone for all the support and hard work in opening the pantry. It is being widely used and many community members are stepping up to volunteer. I don't think the opening could have gone any better, with all major donors attending as well as two mayors and an MPP. And we received a wonderful commendation from the Province of Ontario.
- Next projects include the Warm Up Grand Bend Campaign, with all organizations onboard again this year. The free shopping day is November 23rd, so please plan to bring your donations in the two days leading up to that. And if you can possibly volunteer for a shift over those two days, the event is here this year.
- Also, we are working on promoting and organizing two new events for the holidays: The Festival of Trees and Poinsettia sales. If you know of any business that would like to donate a decorated tree or buy their employees poinsettias for Christmas, please send them my way. We could really use your support in reaching out to your networks. I can provide you with posters to share via email.
- We are also working with the Prayer Shawls Group to organize crochet classes, and with Lois to lead a crafts session in December; more on those to come.
- We have been asked to plan a volunteer fair for April (National Volunteer Month); Councillor Glen Baillie is making the request that we take that on and I look forward to speaking with him. Also in the works for discussion is a possible cooking class for kids, in partnership with the Arts Centre.
- This week I was invited to have a table at the Health Centre Open House, to promote the food pantry and other community wellness events at the church.
- Thanks again for your support!

GRAND BEND PLACE – **Janice Sinker:**

- **Actions Completed:**
 - Sunset Cinema presented Queen Bees on October 3rd
 - Jazz Vespers took place on October 24 featuring Blue Tryptych Jazz Trio
 - plans are completed for “November Nights” featuring Sarah Smith & Justin Maki
 - GBP has offered complimentary tickets to Council, Choir, Staff for this concert
- **Actions Pending:**
 - 2025 Season is almost complete as well as the opening concert of 2026
 - Sunset Cinema presents the film “Inside Out” on Thursday, November 7th at GBP
 - Jazz Vespers will host “The John Griffiths Trio” on Tuesday, November 12th
 - GBP ball caps will be on sale at concerts & events for \$20
 - the GBP Team is looking to purchase water bottles to offer for sale in order to discourage the use of plastic water bottles. Some bottles could have the GBP logo and others the HSUC logo
 - the GBP Team is looking at a membership concept, possibly called “Friends of Grand Bend Place”

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PROPERTY – Debbie Procter:

- **Actions Pending:**
 - Brick repair work to be done on the east side of the church.
 - Sidewalk replacement and drainage need to be fixed on the west side of the church
 - A proposal for a new community bulletin board for our property. Some of the funds for this will come from community sponsorship.
 - New proper directional signage is needed to replace the paper laminated signs.
 - On-going monitoring of the church parking spaces. Still some confusion with people parking in the Minister and Office Administration parking spots.
 - Pride Flag installation.

- **Maintenance and Repair WG – Chris Barry and Dan Gill**
 - **Actions Completed:**
 - Schindler Elevators completed an inspection on our lift on Oct. 16.
 - Three new keys for the padlock on the old shed have been cut after the original office key went missing.
 - The old shed was reorganized, giving us more storage space when needed.
 - **Actions Pending:** Installation of the snow gems will be completed before winter.

- **Kitchen WG – Lois Gill and Debbie Procter**
 - **Actions Completed:**
 - A donation of a used upright freezer has been received and has been placed in the Fellowship Hall.
 - A donation of a used fridge and freezer combination has been received. It will be delivered soon and placed in the Fellowship Hall.
 - Lambton County Health Unit did an inspection and has approved our kitchen for another year.

- **Green Team WG – Lois Gill and Debbie Procter**
 - **Actions Completed:**
 - The rain barrels have been emptied and stored for the winter.
 - The sunshade sail and roller blind have been taken down and stored for the winter.
 - Live Green Irrigation has winterized our watering system.
 - The outdoor benches have been turned over for the winter.
 - **Actions Pending:**
 - The purchasing of two new garden hoses has been put on hold until next year.
 - The purchasing of another sunshade sail for the Green Cathedral has been put on hold until next year.
 - The flower gardens will need to be tidied up soon for the winter.
 - Leaf clean up and removal will need to be done soon.

- **Food Pantry Update:**
 - **Actions Pending:**
 - The donor recognition sign needs to be completed and installed.
 - The security camera for the shed needs to be installed once the Wi-Fi has been installed.
 - The cement walkway pad to the east leading to the Food Pantry needs to be completed.

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FINANCE – Lori Hyatt: Refer to Income & Expenses (Jan – Aug & Jan – Sep) and Balance Sheet – (attached)

- **Actions Completed:**
 - Square Reader program installed on 1 HSUC tablet for use at fundraising events. Tablet and reader stored in counters office
 - Procedure and forms created for the handling of fundraising donation deposits.
- **Actions Pending and In Progress:**
 - Continuing to closely monitor cash flow.
 - Current bank balance \$65,555.55
 - Owed to other sources \$34758.20 (grants, Food Pantry Project, CWC program)
 - HSUC available balance \$30797.35 (includes GBP YTD profit)
 - YTD average giving falls short \$3200/month
 - Tentative Date for Financial Roundtable Meeting- mid-November following worship Possibly including lunch of Lumberjack Pizza (tentative fundraising project)
 - Will post January to September Financial results in Shorelines following approval by Council
 - Bob I. and Christine W. have gathered information and quotes for the replacement of the current photo copier. We will realize a decrease in monthly costs with this update.
 - Distribution of Budget Worksheets to Team Chairs for their input for 2025
- **Continued follow up: Bank of Canada frozen bank account \$11,007.10 + interest**
 - Check claim status on Bank of Canada website Sept 7/23 Claim listed as further documentation required.
 - Supporting documentation mailed to the Office of Unclaimed Balances on October 26, 2023 Website states that 120 days are required to process. Jan 16/24 Status remains unchanged.
 - January 26, 2024, Request received for additional documentation. These documents were mailed to Claims office Feb 2/24
 - March 26, 2024, Request received for proof of amalgamation and name change. Mailed copy of December 2014 Huron Perth Presbytery letter approving the amalgamation and name change effective January 1, 2015 (this letter has been sent with every documentation package. Have been in contact with Brent Caslick of WOW to determine if there may be additional documentation with their records from that time. Finance team has suggested contacting Lianne Rood to ask for assistance with this matter if it remains unresolved.
 - June 15/24 Claim check showed documentation has been received and to allow up to 120 days for processing. Last document mailing was March 27/24 approximately 90 days ago
 - June 18/24 Phone conversation with Unclaimed Balances Office regarding their further request for proof of amalgamation and name change. They are looking for a letter of approval from the province for these changes. Explained that as we are not an incorporated entity there was no provincial involvement, and that oversight and approval of this change was under the direction of the then Huron-Perth Presbytery and the United Church of Canada. I was told that this would be noted on our claim, and it would be sent for another review. There has not been any resolution as of August 24/24
 - Additional documentation sent September 11/24. Claim once again shows under review

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- **Stewardship – Steve Northey:**

- The 10th Anniversary letter was written and distributed at church on October 20th. The remainder of the letters were mailed the week of October 21st. Special Anniversary Service will be held on Sunday, October 27th. Donations received this year will go towards our Operating costs.
- This has been a very tough year financially and Council is very appreciative of all the ongoing generosity shown by our Community of Faith.
- Dan Gil has done a drawing of the church which will be built "Brick by Brick" with mac tac bricks that will feature the Anniversary donor's names. A creative idea put forth by our minister Rev Nancy.
- Special thanks to both Christine Wilde for coordinating the printing of the letters and labels and putting the total package together and to Melodie Northey who did all the envelope stuffing and stamping.

- **MINISTRY & PERSONNEL - Steve Northey:**

- The M&P Team of Peter Challen, Mary McFadden, Christine Bregman, Bill Weber and myself have set up a new service contract for Janice Sinker to succeed Elva as Music Director on January 1, 2025. The contract's financial details have been approved by the Chair of Finance. I met with Janice to go over the contract and after a few minor revisions it is ready to be signed by the Chair of Council and Janice.
- Janice is excited and honoured to be the next Music Director for HSUC. She told me that she looks forward to working with our wonderful choir for many years to come.
- The team is looking forward to celebrating Elva's Retirement at a special dinner being organized by choir members and Council for November 17. Plans are in the works for a special gift from the M&P Team that will reflect on Elva's 26 years as Music Director of our church. Her final "official" service will be Christmas Eve.
- Christine Wilde continues to do an exemplary job balancing Administration and Community Wellness responsibilities. The Fall has been a very busy time for both positions. She is trying hard to keep mornings open for Office Administration and afternoons for Community Wellness. However, overlap is inevitable as we are a very active church with a lot of things happening internally and in the community.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION – Virginia Scott: Ann Russell is organizing the Angel Tree which will be up soon.

WOW – Peter Challen:

- **Actions Completed:** Announced in *Shorelines* and on *Announcement Loop*, WOW Regional Fall meeting, Nov 16, 17, and my assistance in registering.
- **Actions Pending:** Attending WOW Regional Fall meeting.

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WORSHIP & MUSIC – Karen Etherington:

- **Actions completed**
 - October 13 - Thanksgiving Sunday with Communion - successful communion and COF responded to Rev. Nancy's "things giving" challenge, donating items for the pantry not often thought of.
 - October 27 – 10th Anniversary Sunday - Dan Gill created a model of the church, COF were invited to add their "brick" as we continue to build our church
 - October 24 - Jazz Vespers was well attended to listen to the Blue Tryptych Trio
- **Actions Pending:**
 - Emmanuel, God with Us! Cantata
 - December 1 at HSUC at 7 p.m.
 - December 15 at Thamesview – time to be announced
- **Guest speaker** arranged for Anniversary service 2025! Mavis Currie
- **Worship and Music** are recommending that our Christmas Eve service be held at 4:30 p.m. this year. Rev. Nancy still has two services to lead, and as Thamesview took the early service last year, this seems fair. Next year this will not be an issue.
- **Next meeting** will be Tuesday November 12 at 3:30 on Zoom

FELLOWSHIP & OUTREACH – Lois Gill:

- **Membership – Mary McFadden:** Barb Cook's name was missing for the list of new members being accepted on June 2, 2024.
 - **NOTICE OF MOTION** to accept Barb Cook into full membership retroactive from June 2, 2024.
- **Right Relations:**
 - Held a successful walk for "Truth and Reconciliation" walk Sat. Sept. 28th at 1p.m. (despite a lot of us having Covid)
 - Book reviews on hold for now
- **Caring Casseroles:**
 - Last session: Oct, 4th Shepherds Pie
 - Next session: Nov. 1st 10:00 a.m. or 1 p.m. : Chicken Curry and Squash Soup
- **Free Store:**
 - **Actions Completed:**
 - Held a successful event with approx. 300 customers and approx. \$550 in donations of which \$200 designated to food processor and food vacuum sealer for "Caring Casseroles " program. Lois Gill to purchase.
 - Next Free Store May 2025!
- **Prayer Shawls:**
 - **Actions completed:** Continue to have meetings every week at church on Mondays . Last one October 28th.
 - **Actions pending:** Next meeting November 4th at 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

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- **Food Pantry:**
 - **Actions Completed:**
 - Soft opening held Sept 3rd.
 - Grand opening held Oct. 10th very successful.
 - Meals from "Caring Casseroles" have been put in "Food Pantry" as well as COF members in need.
 - Volunteers approximately 20 helping to maintain as per schedule. Many donations received both items and funds.
 - We are using grocery gift cards purchased through church program to purchase groceries above and beyond donations ie: Sobeys and No Frills in Grand Bend.
 - Two orientation dates have been completed.
 - **Huron Shores Café** recommenced in September serving coffee and refreshments after services unless Legion breakfast happening. Schedule has been made by Deb Gill for weekly host duties.
 - **Actions Pending:**
 - Next "Caring Casseroles" is on November 1st
 - Another orientation date for volunteers and general info date pending
 - Assisting with "Festival of Trees" Project. "Caring Casseroles" will participate.
 - Sunday Brunchers: Last one cancelled due to a number of Covid cases. Next date TBA.
 - Trip to Wampum lodge on books for Spring 2025
 - "Festival of Trees Celebration"

TRUSTEES – Glen Miller: No report