

**Living Skies Property Commission  
October 16, 2020**

<b>Present</b>	Annette Taylor, Daryl Woods, Bev Kostichuk, George Thurlow, Gayle Wensley
<b>Staff Present</b>	Shannon McCarthy, Executive Minister (recording secretary)
<b>Call to order</b>	Annette called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.
<b>Check-in &amp; Worship</b>	We checked in and Annette led us in a prayer
<b>Agenda 035-2020/2021</b>	<b>It was agreed by consensus: That the agenda be received as amended.</b>
<b>Minutes 036-2020/2021</b>	<b>It was agreed by consensus: That the minutes of Sept 3 &amp; 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020 be approved as distributed.</b>
<b>Decision made by Email vote Sept 17- 19, 2020 Knox United Church, Manor (offer for tender) 037-2020/2021</b>	That Living Skies Property Commission approve the request from the Trustees of Manor United Church, a congregation within the United Church of Canada to tender for sale the following congregational property commonly known as Knox United church with a legal description of lot 25 Blk/Par 2 Plan 37565 Ext 0 Title number 142320743 and Lot 25 Blk/Par 2 Plan 37565 Ext 0 Title number 142320798, the municipal address which is 41 Newcombe Avenue, Manor, Saskatchewan, the closing date to be November 30, 2020.
<b>Decision made by email vote September 25, 2020 Milestone United Church (Sale) 038-2020/2021</b>	That Living Skies Property Commission approve the request from the Trustees of the Milestone Congregation, a congregation of the United Church of Canada to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The sale of the congregational property commonly known as Milestone United Church with the legal description of Lot 1 Blk 8 Plan 50333 Title number 110330716 and Lot 2 Blk 9 Plan 50333 Title number 110330727 and with the municipal address of 90 Prairie Avenue, Milestone, Saskatchewan pursuant to an agreement between the Trustees of Milestone United Church, a congregation of the United Church of Canada as seller and Lighthouse Church International, Inc as buyer dated April 14th , 2020 with the following conditions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Purchase price of forty-five thousand dollars (\$45,000)</li> <li>• Deposit of two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) with the balance to be paid prior to possession.</li> <li>• The possession date of August 4th, 2020</li> </ul> </li> <li>2. That the proceeds of this sale be held in trustee by the congregation until their distribution is approved by Living Skies Property Commission.</li> </ol>

<b>BUSINESS ARISING</b>	
<b>Policy Update</b>	<p>LSRC Executive approved the policy document update we requested regarding the disbursement of assets from the sale of abandoned property. They also approved our request that pastoral charge name changes go to the Executive.</p> <p><b>Action item:</b> Annette will update the policy document.  <b>Action item:</b> Bev K will be in touch with Bev. D to the appendix A &amp; B on the website as a word document which can be filled in .</p>
<b>Ecumenical connections</b>	<p>George has tried to contact the Anglicans.  They are not as far ahead with abandoned properties as we are. We will maintain contact to try to work together.  Bev continues to be in contact with the Presbyterians regarding property in the name of the Presbyterian church. The list has been sent to the Trustee Board to review and determine what property is theirs, the remainder will be ours.  Bev and George will maintain the connections.</p>
<b>Mossbank</b>	<p>Annette gave us an update:</p> <p>Mossbank UC have already disbursed their assets of about \$10,000 to three local organizations without following the policy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mossbank Museum</li> <li>• Camp Woodboia</li> <li>• Furrows and Faith Retirement home</li> </ul> <p>We are waiting for their final documentation to official disband them.</p>
<b>NEW BUSINESS</b>	
<b>Third Avenue</b>	<p>We received a certificate of trustees from Third Avenue UC requesting permission to use up to \$80,000 for the repair of the church roof. Since the church does not currently own the church building it was decided that it would not be appropriate to give approval for this expenditure.</p> <p>We are struggling with what the next steps are regarding Third Avenue. After discussion we agreed it is time to formally close the congregation.</p>
<b>039-2020/2021</b>	<p><b>It was agreed by consensus:</b>  <b>That Living Skies Property Commission request the Living Skies Regional Council Executive take responsibility for the Third Avenue Congregation, Saskatoon to formally disband the congregation and disburse the assets.</b></p> <p><b>Action Item:</b> Annette will create a timeline and be in touch with Tricia Gerhard about attending the next Executive meeting.</p>
<b>Milestone United Church Manse (Sale) 040-2020/2021</b>	<p><b>It was agreed by consensus:</b>  <b>That Living Skies Regional Council Property Commission approve the request the Trustees of Milestone United Church:</b></p>

	<p>1. To the sale of the manse, legal description L;1 B;9 P;EW2804 and municipal address which is 130 5th St, pursuant to an agreement between the board of Trustees of The Milestone Congregation a congregation of the United Church of Canada, as seller, and Shelley Cozman, as buyer, dated October 10th, 2020 and subject to the regional council approval, the terms of which are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Price \$175,000.00 Deposit \$4000.00</li> <li>• Conditional to Home &amp; Sewer inspection, Sask Energy gas line locate and financing on or before October 26th , 2020.</li> <li>• Possession November 3rd, 2020</li> </ul> <p>2. The proceeds of this sale be held in trust by the congregations until the distribution of the proceeds be approved by Living Skies Regional Council.</p>
<p><b>Crestwynd (advertise for sale by tender)</b></p> <p><b>041-2020/2021</b></p>	<p>Having received the following motion from the Living Skies Regional Council trustees dated October 1, 2020:</p> <p>Moved by Reta Derksen seconded by Bill Pollock: The Trustees of Living Skies Regional Council approve the request from the Living Skies Property Commission to advertising for sale by tender in the Moose Jaw paper the property which is the legal description of which is Lot 16 BLK 1 plan AK6664 Ext 0, register as title 101206741 and municipal address which is corner of Terrace Avenue and High Street in the disbanded village of Crestwynd.</p> <p><b>It was agreed by consensus: That Living Skies Property Commission advertise for sale by tender in the Moose Jaw paper for two weeks the property which is the legal description of which is Lot 16 BLK 1 plan AK6664 Ext 0, register as title 101206741 and municipal address which is corner of Terrace Avenue and High Street in the disbanded village of Crestwynd.</b></p>
<p><b>Coderre UC (Sale)</b></p> <p><b>042-2020/2021</b></p>	<p>George has been in contact with Nora Darlene Sadlemyer, the neighbor who had indicated that she and her partner would like to purchase the Coderre Church and lot.</p> <p><b>We agreed by consensus to accept their offer of \$300 (plus cost of transfer) for the property in Coderre.</b></p>
<p><b>Viceroy (request to trustees for transfer)</b></p> <p><b>043-2020/2021</b></p>	<p><b>It was agreed by consensus: That Living Skies Regional Council Property Commission request the Trustees of Living Skies Regional Council approve the transfer of certain congregational property (which was the property of Viceroy Congregation a disbanded Congregation of The United Church of Canada), the legal description of which is Lots 15 and 16 Block 6 Plan N1370 Ext 0 Title numbers 100361966 and 100361977 and the municipal address of which is SE corner of Dufferin and Ripon Street Viceroy Saskatchewan, pursuant to an</b></p>

	<b>agreement between the Trustees of Living Skies Regional Council as transferor, and RM of Excel #71, as transferee, the terms of which are as follows: (one) \$1.00 dollar and the transferee being responsible to prepare and register the transfer.</b>
<b>Cemetery Oversight</b>	George is working on the Cemetery oversight document.
<b>Damaged buildings</b>	We discussed the need for certain properties to have the buildings destroyed due to unsafe buildings. Before we destroy any buildings we need to be in touch with the RM or close neighbours.
<b>Contact information</b>	We agreed that for ongoing situations where contact information needs to be given, we will give the Living Skies Regional Council address as follows:  Living Skies Regional Council 60A Athabasca St. E. Moose Jaw, SK S6H 0L2 <a href="mailto:livingskies@united-church.ca">livingskies@united-church.ca</a> 1-306-704-0181
<b>Speers</b>	We are awaiting Appendix A for the United church property. We have the one for the Methodist property. Then we need two appendix Bs.  We will wait until we have all the paperwork to process this one.  <b>Action item:</b> George will check his files for the Appendix B's. Gayle will get an Appendix A for the United church property.
<b>Abandoned properties</b>	We need to check with neighbours and RMs to get a sense to see how they feel about the property before we list them for sale.
<b>Arranging advertising for sale or tender</b>	We decided that members of the property commission can arrange for advertising for sale or tender and that it can be billed to the regional council office through Heather Dootoff or it can be paid for and then reimbursed whichever is easier.
<b>Property Commission Minutes</b>	It was agreed by consensus: That we will request the LSRC Executive to make our commission minutes public and we will post them on the LSRC website.
<b>Electronic Signatures</b>	We agreed that we will accept electronic signatures coming to us.
<b>Wesley United Church</b>	Wesley UC in Regina is planning to partner with the Uganda Canadian Association of Saskatchewan (UCAS) to share some space in their church building. This will probably require minor renovations, but they are not expecting it to cost more than 20% of their revenue.

<b>Robert Hall Mission</b>	Looking at disbanding. They are part of the Hudson Bay larger Parrish.  <b>Action Item:</b> Gayle will take this one as their PC contact.
<b>Living Springs Church</b>	They were in touch with Annette. They are looking for a church in Regina, but we don't have any for sale.
<b>Indian Head</b>	We can remove them from the property list as they are not looking to close at this time.
<b>Mortlach</b>	They are getting close to being finished. They will let us know when they are ready to be officially disbanded.
<b>Upcoming Meetings</b>	Friday, November 13 <sup>th</sup> and Friday, December 11 <sup>th</sup>