

**Living Skies Property Commission
October 14, 2022**

Present	Annette Taylor (chair), Daryl Woods, Jonathon Zacharias, George Thurlow, Bev Kostichuk (secretary)
Staff Present	Shannon McCarthy, Heather Dootoff
Call to order	Annette called the meeting to order at 9:36 a.m.
Check-in & Worship	We checked in. George led worship with reading from James Taylor's Everyday God: Insights from the Ordinary.
Agenda 043-2022/2023	It was agreed by consensus: That the agenda be approved as amended.
Minutes 044-2022/2023	It was agreed by consensus that the minutes of September 9, 2022, be approved as distributed.
Watson Trinity UC renovations Email vote September 20 to 22, 2022 045-2022/2023	<p>It was agreed by consensus that Living Skies Regional Council Property Commission approve the request from Trustees of Trinity United Church, Watson SK to renovate a certain congregational property commonly known as Trinity United Church, Watson with the legal description of Lot 1 and 2 Blk 6 Plan F4030 and the municipal address of 113 2nd Avenue NE Watson, Sk with the following conditions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Roof repairs to be completed by Superior Spray Foam of Saskatoon, Sk at a cost of nineteen thousand nine hundred and ninety-five dollars (\$19,995) as set out in their quote of July 7, 2022 2. Cost of repairs will be covered by thirteen thousand (\$13,000) from the congregation's savings; the balance to be paid through a fundraising campaign.
Wakaw UC sale Email vote October 2 to 4, 2022 046-2022/2023	<p>It was agreed by consensus that Living Skies Regional Council Property Commission approve the request from the Trustees of Wakaw United Church, Wakaw Sk, a congregation of the United Church of Canada, for the sale of a certain congregational property commonly known as Wakaw United Church with the legal description of Lot 15 Blk 22 Plan O4934 Parcel 132806460, Lot 16 Blk 22 Plan O4934 Parcel 132806471, Lot 17 Blk 22 Plan O4934 Parcel 132806482, Lot 18 Blk 22 Plan O4934 Parcel 132806493, Lot 19 Blk 22 Plan O4934 Parcel 132806505 and Lot 20 Blk 22 Plan O4934 Parcel 132790125 and the municipal address of 201 2nd Street S Wakaw, SK to Candace Desrosiers of Martensville, SK according to an agreement for sale between the Trustees of Wawak United Church, as seller and Candace Desrosiers, Sk, as buyer with the following conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sale Price of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) with a deposit of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) and a further deposit

	<p>of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) upon the removal of all conditions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The balance of ninety-five thousand dollars (\$95,000) to be paid on the closing date • The buyer receiving a satisfactory home inspection by June 1, 2023, at the buyer's expense • The confirmed sale of the buyers' home by June 1, 2023 <p>The distribution of the proceeds of the sale will be as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10% of the net proceeds to be given to the Indigenous ministry and justice work as per Call to the Church #8(b). • The balance of the proceeds to be retained by Wawak United Church.
Business Arising:	
Letters to congregations	<p>Letters were sent confirming the congregation's responsibility for abandoned property. Letters to Biggar re: Triumph property and Carrot River re: Moose Range property. Our properties lists will be changed to identify these as congregational properties. More research will be done regarding the Stenen United Church and its relationship with the Preeceville Sturgis pastoral charge.</p>
Kindred Works	<p>Annette will request an update from Kindred Works for our November meeting.</p>
ISC signing authority & Payment of assessment for Lang-Milestone PC	<p>Annette will contact Darrell Reine and copy Shannon McCarthy regarding these two matters which were referred to Living Skies Regional Council Executive.</p>
Correspondence:	
Property Insurance	<p>Heather will put the information on insurance in the letter from Erik Mathiesen in the Rambler. George will do a list of abandoned properties with buildings to send to Erik Mathiesen regarding cost of liability insurance.</p>
Order of the Day	<p>Beth Williamson joined us and asked the following questions: Do we want a checklist for the commission when considering leases? What draft templates do we want? What is the commission's role in approving leases/rentals? After some discussion, Beth left the meeting. Then the commission discussed each question and decided on the following responses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the Commission would like a checklist (Beth & George will work on this) • the Commission would like draft templates for long-term leases, short-term rentals, and one specifically for schools or daycares

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> the Commission should approve long terms leases for schools, pre-schools, nursery schools and other denominations, leases for the exclusive use of part of the building and leases where the revenue is over 20% of congregation's annual income. <p>Shannon will ask other regional councils for any policies or sample agreements they may have Bev and Annette will both request some sample contracts. Any documents received will be passed on to Beth for her work.</p>
Correspondence continued	
Offer to lease:	The offer to lease royalties for the NW 28-10-5 W2 was discussed. It was agreed that any income from such a lease would be paid to the Regional Council. Heather and Bev are to contact Tom Cameron regarding his opinion on the lease offer. The need for someone with knowledge of oil leases and royalties' agreements to be on the commission was discussed.
Property Decisions:	None
Abandoned Property	
Ardath United Church	Prairie Pine had dealt with this, but the transfer was never completed. George will contact Lyle Campbell regarding this property. They were not disbanded as they still have a building. Daryl also suggested that Barry Friesen might be able to help us with this.
Mildred Cemetery	No action as it is inaccessible. Surrounding area is bush pasture.
Policies/Procedures	None
Other Business	
Third Quarter report to Executive	Annette had emailed her 3 rd quarter report to the Commission to review; Annette will now send it to the Executive.
Craik Pastoral Charge	Craik pastoral charge had asked who the pastoral charge money belongs to now that Penzance is disbanding. This is joint money which they need to decide how to distribute but need to consider expenses that Craik will continue to have on behalf of the charge. Bev will ask Susan Jackson if the allocations are adjusted when one point on a charge disbands.
Liaison	Bethune United Church- Daryl Woods
Adjournment	Annette adjourned the meeting at 11:20 a.m.
Upcoming meetings	Next meeting: Zoom meeting at 9:30 a.m. on November 4th, 2022, <i>(Note change of date)</i> Annette will lead devotion.