

**Living Skies Property Commission
January 13, 2023**

Present	Annette Taylor (chair), Daryl Woods, George Thurlow, Bev Kostichuk (secretary)
Staff Present	Shannon McCarthy, Heather Dootoff
Call to order	Annette called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m.
Check-in & Worship	We checked in. Daryl shared a reading “Moments of Suspension” from Grace Notes by Phillip Yancey.
Agenda 047-2022/2023	It was agreed by consensus: That the agenda be approved as circulated.
Minutes 048-2022/2023	It was agreed by consensus that the minutes of December 9, 2022, be approved as distributed.
Business Arising:	
Letter to GC re: assessments	Annette will send the letter to Eric Mathiesen with a copy to Susan Jackson before we contact the GCE regarding allocations for multipoint charges at the time of one disbanding.
Royalty offer	Ross Walker responded to our counteroffer with an email explaining why he thought our numbers were too high. Shannon will contact Ross for his best offer as he indicated that he has flexibility on an offer.
Pemoco offer for Moats land 049-2022/2023	Darrel Reine asked questions were related to rental income and capital gains for this offer (no capital gains as church is a charitable organization): income is \$1250 per year for rent for land being grazed plus lease income of about \$26,000 per year. It was agreed by consensus that Living Skies Regional Council Property Commission recommend to Living Skies Regional Council Executive that in solidarity with St. Andrew’s College we refuse the offer from Pemoco to sell the surface rights on the two quarters of Moats land at this time. In the future we endeavor to negotiate any further offers on this land jointly with St. Andrew’s College immediately upon receipt of an offer.
Order of the Day Rental and lease templates 050-2022/2023	Elizabeth joined the meeting. Elizabeth recommended a referral to a different lawyer, Adrienne Forgeron, with more contract preparation experience. Adrienne then joined the meeting, and we had an opportunity to meet her and ask her questions. After Elizabeth and Adrienne left the meeting: It was agreed by consensus that Living Skies Regional Council Property Commission retain Adrienne Forgeron to prepare sample rental and lease agreements for congregations on the basis of \$325.00 per hour for up to 10 hours, near the completion of the 10 hours the agreement will be reviewed.

Correspondence	None
Property Decisions:	
Shaunavon – Centre Street UC 051-2022/2023	<p>It was agreed by consensus that Living Skies Regional Council Property Commission approved the request from the Trustees of Centre Street United Church of Shaunavon SK, a congregation of The United Church of Canada for the sale of a congregational property commonly known Centre Street United Church with the legal description of Lot 13-Blk/Par 43-Plan B3185 Ext 0 (Surface) title 122185391, Lot 14-Blk/Par 43-Plan B3185 Ext 0 (Surface) title 122185414 and Lot 15-Blk/Par 43-Plan B3185 Ext 0 (Surface) title 122185436 with the municipal address of 15 6th Avenue East in the town of Shaunavon to Darkhorse Theatre Inc. of Shaunavon, Sk according to an agreement between the Trustees of Centre Steet United Church, Shaunavon SK, as seller and Darkhorse Theatre Inc. of Shaunavon SK, as buyer dated December 15, 2022 with the following conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sale price of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) • Darkhorse Theatre Inc. agrees to rent storage space to Centre Street United Church for an annual fee of one dollar (\$1.00) for as long as the congregation requires this space • Darkhorse Theatre Inc. agrees to rent the building to Centre Street United Church for worship services for an annual fee of one dollar (\$1.00) for as long as the congregation requires • Darkhorse Theatre Inc. is responsible for all costs related to the sale and transfer of this property. • Scheduled possession date is June 1, 2023 <p>The proceeds of this sale shall be maintained for the ongoing operation of Centre Street United Church.</p>
Penzance UC	Annette will follow up with Jonathon to obtain the appendix A.
Disbanding	
Lacadena	Transfer is being resubmitted to ISC
Lashburn – St. James UC 052-2022/2023	<p>It was agreed by consensus that Living Skies Regional Council Property Commission approve the request from the St. James United Church, Lashburn, SK to disband.</p> <p>Their final bank statement should be available shortly.</p>
Balcarres	St. Andrew’s United Church Balcarres has distributed the last of their financial assets; their final bank statement should be available shortly.
Abandoned Property	

RM of Elcapo Two properties 053-2022/2023	No offers have been received for this property. It was agreed by consensus that Living Skies Regional Council Property Commission approach the RM of Elcapo No 154 to request permission to transfer the following properties to the RM: Blk/Par A-Plan 101322548 Ext 61 on the SE 16-16-06 W2 and Blk/Par A-Plan 101322582 Ext 62 on the SE 17 16 06 W2.
Checklist for Selling property and disbanding	The Property Commission suggested that these be two separate lists. Often the sale of property overshadows the things that must be done to prepare for disbanding. We continue to be in contact by email regarding these lists.
Change in Appendix B in Handbook	Annette will make this change as approved at our December meeting then email the updated Handbook to Bev Diebert to place on website.
Policies/Procedures	None
Other Business	
Regina Lakeview UC	Lakeview will keep the Commission up to date on the contact with Sask Tel regarding the placement of a cell phone repeater on their roof. George will be the liaison.
Alameda & Oxbow	Shannon gave them the address for Kindred Works; they will be working on selling or revisioning their church property over the next several years; due to this timeline they will not be added to our property list for now. They want a contact from the Commission for property related questions; Annette will be their contact.
Adjournment	Annette adjourned the meeting at 11:25 a.m.
Upcoming meetings	Next meeting: Zoom meeting at 9:30 a.m. on February 24, 2023 (to be confirmed with Jonathan and Daryl); Annette will lead devotion.