

## PRESBYTERY OF YUKON

Special Meeting  
November 14, 2015

### CONVENE

Moderator Rev. Kim MacInnes-Green convened the teleconference meeting at 10:04 am with prayer.

### ROLL

**Teaching Elder Members Present:** Tim Carrick, Piper Cartland, Jack Cormack, Curt Karns, Dan Ketchum, Ian MacInnes-Green, Kim MacInnes-Green, Curt Matz, Matthew Schultz, and Henry Woodall

**Other Members Present:** Ruling Elder (RE) Commissioners Jinhee Dickerson (Fairbanks Korean PC) and Jim Powell (First Anchorage PC); Commissioned Ruling Elders Virginia Kasak (Kuukpik PC), Richard Mauer (Delta PC), Beulah Nowpakahok (Gambell PC); Marjorie Poggas (Jewel Lake Parish), and Cody Ryu (Fairbanks Korean PC); Leadership Team members RE Jan Burger, RE Arlayne Knox, and RE Mark Wartes; and stated clerk RE Sharon Rayt

**Others Present:** Presbytery treasurer Mary Kron

All other members were excused.

### DECLARATION OF QUORUM

A quorum was present in accordance with G-3.0304, that ruling elders representing at least three churches and three teaching elders constitute a quorum.

### AGENDA

The special meeting was called by moderator Rev. Kim MacInnes-Green with the concurrence of Rev. Piper Cartland, Rev. Dean Knapp, ruling elder Bob Christensen (First Wasilla PC) and ruling elder Sharon Rayt (Jewel Lake Parish), to act on the following items of business:

- Proposed 2016 budget
  - **Changes to executive presbyter's terms of call:** The Personnel Committee recommended a 1.6% cost of living increase for 2016. The increase is based on the housing allowance and cash salary, but will be applied to the cash salary, raising it from \$31,406 to \$32,553. Motion to change the executive presbyter's terms of call as recommended was **APPROVED**.
  - **2016 proposed budget:** The budget is based on an assumption of what the churches would give in 2016. It uses up all of our usable reserves, which raises questions about our finances in future years. Motion to adopt the proposed 2016 budget (attached) was **APPROVED**. A letter to all churches will accompany the 2016 per capita/fair share spreadsheet.
- Nominations and elections

Rev. Tim Carrick presented the sole nominee on behalf of Nominating Committee moderator Ida Olemaun. The floor was opened for nominations. There being none, motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for elder commissioner to the 222<sup>nd</sup> General Assembly was **APPROVED**:  
Principal RE Commissioner: Sara Johnston, Anchorage/Valley area .....class 2018

- Proposal to rescind action approved by the presbytery on February 19, 2015, pertaining to the restrictions placed on the use of proceeds from the sale of a small manse by the Fairbanks Korean Presbyterian Church.

On February 19<sup>th</sup>, the presbytery approved the following: *'that the Presbytery of Yukon hold the capital proceeds from the sale, on behalf of the denomination, for the congregation, and that Presbytery release a set amount annually to be used for housing allowance, the amount to be determined by the Committee on Ministry and to be reviewed annually by the [Presbytery] Board of Trustees and the Committee on Ministry.'*

If the motion is rescinded, the church will use the capital proceeds of approximately \$120,000 to purchase a larger manse. In late July, presbytery trustees granted the session the authority to make an offer on a condominium, located at 1516 28<sup>th</sup> Ave., Fairbanks, AK 99701 and with a legal description of Unit D, lot 158A, Advance Townhomes, Plat No. 2004-139. This is a short sale property. Asking price is \$110,000, but the church has submitted an offer of \$102,000 which is subject to bank approval. Fairbanks North Star Borough assessed value is \$175,000. If the way is clear, the Fairbanks Korean Presbyterian Church will hold the title to the property.

The church is in a healthier place. Korean consultant Rev. Jinsuk Kim worked with the congregation to address underlying issues. The church is under the leadership of Commissioned Ruling Elder Cody Ryu, whose personal circumstances allow him to serve without being paid a cash salary, with the exception of housing. More people are attending Sunday worship, which has been described as vibrant.

The Board of Trustees is in favor of presbytery rescinding the aforementioned motion. Motion to rescind was unanimously **APPROVED**.

- Commission Darlene Matz (if the way be clear): As the way was not clear, this item was removed from the agenda.

#### ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 am with Mark Wartes leading in the closing prayer.

Sharon Rayt  
Stated Clerk