

Covenant Commission
Antler River Watershed Regional Council
OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA
Holding and Encouraging Communities of Faith

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Roster: Marie Santos (L, Chair), Tom Brunt (L), Deb Ellacott (L), Jim Evans (OM), Judith Fayter (OM), Adam Kilner (OM), Mark Marshall (OM), Andi McKillop (L), Mark Perry (OM)

Staff Support: Pretima Kukadia-Kinting, Admin Assistant, PKukadia@united-church.ca
Rev. Lynne Allin, Minister, Congregational Support & Mission, LAllin@united-church.ca

Present: Marie Santos, Tom Brunt, Deb Ellacott, Jim Evans, Judith Fayter, Mark Marshall, Andi McKillop, Lynne Allin

Regrets: Pretima Kukadia-Kinting

Absent: Adam Kilner, Mark Perry

Welcome and Constitute Meeting: *I constitute this meeting in the name of Jesus Christ, the one true head of the Church and by the authority invested in me by this meeting of the Horseshoe Falls Regional Council for whatever business may properly come before it. The bounds of the meeting will be the Zoom call.*

The meeting was constituted and opened by Marie Santos.

Acknowledging the Land: Territorial lands are acknowledged on behalf of the Covenant Commission by Marie Santos: We are gathered this morning to worship on traditional lands. We recognize and deeply appreciate the historic connection to this ground we worship on. We also recognize the contributions of the Metis, Inuit, and other Indigenous peoples have made to our country. As settlers, this recognition must be clearly connected to our commitment to make the promise and the challenge of the Truth and Reconciliation real in the community in which we live and worship. We are grateful to the Creator for this time and this place.

Opening Worship: Worship was provided by Mark Marshall.

Opening Motions:

Approval of Agenda:

MOTION by Judith Fayter / Deb Ellacott that the agenda be accepted as circulated.

MOTION

CARRIED

New Business

Motions Related to Covid-19

- 1. Empowering the Executive of ARWRC

MOTION by Deb Ellacott / Andi McKillop that during the Covid-19 pandemic, should the Covenant Commission of Antler River Watershed Regional Council be unable to achieve quorum to conduct its business due to illness, the Executive of Antler River Watershed Regional be empowered to make decisions on the recommendation of the remaining members of the Covenant Commission.

MOTION

CARRIED

- 2. Extend access to restricted funds to include May and June

MOTION by Deb Ellacott / Tom Brunt that the Covenant Commission of Antler River Watershed Regional Council will extend access to funds restricted by presbytery or regional council for the purpose of meeting payroll to May and June.

MOTION

CARRIED

- 3. Permission to access Canadian Emergency Bank Account (CEBA)

MOTION by Judith Fayter / Mark Marshall that the Covenant Commission of Antler River Watershed Regional Council agrees that any applicant (community of faith/pastoral charge) that meets the threshold for the Canadian Emergency Bank Account Loan (CEBA) (ie. min \$50,000 in payroll) has prior regional council approval and is required only to report the loan application to the Covenant Commission.

MOTION

CARRIED

- 4. Access to UCC Pandemic Response Bridging Loans

MOTION by Deb Ellacott / Tom Brunt that the Covenant Commission of Antler River Watershed Regional Council give priority for The United Church of Canada Pandemic Response Bridging Loans to communities of faith unable to access the Canada Emergency Business Account.

MOTION

CARRIED

Next Meeting: April 22, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

Worship by: **Jim Evans**

MOTION that the Covenant Commission of Antler River Watershed Regional Council having concluded its business, be adjourned.

MOTION

AGREED