

UUCO Congregation Annual Meeting

4/28/2019

UUCO Covenant for Meetings. Marge Holland welcomed congregation members and led the reading of the UUCO Covenant for Meetings.

Spring Clean-up. Roger Kuhnle announced he will be leading the annual spring clean-up of the UUCO grounds to be held next Saturday, May 4th from 9:00 to 12:00; all are invited to help out.

Quorum. Dan Mattern stated that we had a quorum for today's meeting.

Renewal agreement between Rev. Gail Stratton and the UUCO Congregation. Eunice Benton reviewed the arrangement between Rev. Stratton and the congregation which was approved by the Board at its last meeting. Details of Rev. Stratton's affiliation with UUCO can be found in the letter of affiliation that Rev. Stratton submitted to the Board and which is available on the UUCO website for all to view.

Property Expansion Committee. Eunice Benton reported on the status of UUCO's efforts to purchase the Billy Smith property. Mr. Smith no longer owns the property; during the past year he turned it over to his step-daughter Iris. Eunice and Gail Stratton met with Iris recently and presented to her UUCO's desire to purchase the property. Iris informed Eunice and Gail that she and her husband intend to make the property their retirement home. After learning of Iris's intentions, Eunice asked if Iris and her husband would consider selling a portion of the property that fronts the road; Iris said she would discuss this option with her husband. Eunice reminded Iris that UUCO still has first right of refusal on the property at whatever time she decides to sell the property.

Acceptance of Proposed Trustees. Greg Johnson introduced the proposed slate of officers for the coming two-year term. He noted that there is still an opening for Sunday Services trustee and he encouraged all congregation members to consider working on a Sunday Services committee that will share Sunday Services' responsibilities. A motion was made to accept the proposed slate of trustees; motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Budget. Dan Mattern presented an overview of the proposed budget for the new fiscal year starting in June. He noted that pledges for the coming year have been about the same as in recent years. Dan then went through all sources of anticipated revenue and expenditures. Dan noted that outside of the office administrator the biggest budget category is building expenditures. The Board is allocating \$2000 for building/property maintenance. No specific repair is currently needed but the \$2000 is seen as building a cash reserve for any unanticipated expenses that might arise. The Building budget also includes \$1,027 for property expansion loan repayments. Though there are no current outstanding loans related to any property expansion the Board felt that allocating this money would help cover any expenses that might be incurred in further exploring property options. Moving on to other categories, Dan noted that \$2000 has been allocated to fund two delegates to attend General Assembly next year which will be in New England. Gail Tapscott made a motion to approve the proposed budget; motion was seconded by Chris Sapp and was passed unanimously.

Submitted by: Marty Fino