

St. Philip's Parish Council - Minutes

Monday 27 April, 2026, St Philip's

Attendees: Evelyn Savage, Larry Anthony, Mike Pipes, Paul Scambler, Bruce Richmond, Adam Tarnowsky, Allen Doerksen, Gerianne Knowles-Robson, Mark Laidlaw (minutes)

Regrets: Judith Armstrong, Dave Conway, John Laidlaw

Guests: Ged McLean, Ken Davidson, Joe Weicker, Clayton Savage

Meeting came to order at 7:06pm. AD opened with prayer.

Agenda: Treasurer's report - addition of topic search for envelope secretary

St. Matthias Renovation Review:

CS led presentation from the Building Group. The presentation focused on St. Matthias property (Richmond facility) similar to the March 3 presentation about St. Philip's (Eastdowne facility).

Start with caveat that the assumptions about facility.

CS showed pictures of the Richmond facility, discussed layout.

Showed pictures of hall. Gymnasium, kitchen, washrooms.

Presented comparison of Richmond facility and Eastdowne facility for space.

Presented an ambitious plan for renovation of the existing Richmond facility; pointed out that the "core" worship space of both facilities are about the same size. Estimated budget about \$1,100,000.

A lengthy discussion ensued.

AD, MP, LA to meet with St. Matthias rector, wardens, and the Bishop on 29 April.

Review of March 23 Minutes: Approved as circulated.

Rector's report:

- AD reports JA needs to step back from People's Warden role. 10 month appointment (to 2027 AGM). Asks for prayerful consideration.
- Plan to start "Vision Working Group"; part of revitalization plan. Lead congregation engagement over a couple months. Discussion of how to invite people into the process.
- Parish Picnic: 14th June.

Children's Ministry

- AD reports that Melinda to implement "Godly Play" in Sunday School; space in old "nursery"
- Motion: That Council authorize the expenditure of up to \$5,000 to procure the materials for Godly Play. Moved: LA. Seconded: AT. Carried.

Missions update:

- ES presented recommendation for expenditure of \$19,000 for "Missions". As presented: \$3,500 Precious Jewels, \$3,500 Hope Home, \$2,500 PWRDF Hospital, \$3,000 Street Hope, \$2,000 Shelbourne Community Kitchen, \$1,000 South Island Counselling, \$1,500 Our Place, \$1,000 Mustard Seed, \$1,000 contingency. Moved: ES. Seconded: PS. Carried

Treasurer's Report

- MP reports that Leslee is leaving in May; needs to get a replacement of Envelope Secretary.

Next meeting date: 25 May