

Council report for September, October and November: Council has met regularly to hear reports from the pastors and committees and to discuss the business affairs of the church. The following is a summary of some of the matters which were dealt with: 1. Since one of the new members of council is not able to attend many of the meetings, it was decided to allow him to participate in the meetings via a conference call. 2. This spring a request was received from a member of the community to rent our sanctuary for a wedding. As a result of this request and as a result of other groups using the sanctuary, several members of council drafted a rental policy which has been sent to the FAC for their review. 3. One ministry of our congregation for many years already is the services which are held every second Sunday at the Woodland Villa in Long Sault. The viability of this ministry has been discussed several times since it is difficult to find volunteers but no solution has yet been found. 4. Gravel has been added to the west parking lot and it has been regraded so that water will be directed to the drain. Council thanks the FAC for looking after this. 5. Since a BBQ is used at the church potlucks and at VBS, a discussion was held about purchasing one. However, one has now been donated and will be available for use next summer. 6. A number of "Thank you" cards were signed by the members of council and given to members of the congregation. 7. Some time was spent giving direction/guidance to Pastor Gregg. The discussion can be summarized by the three phrases—unity of the congregation, fellowship in the congregation and evangelism by the congregation. Some of these will be addressed in the sermon series on "The Church". This exercise of giving direction to the pastor will be repeated in the spring. 8. The matter of live streaming the worship services was mentioned at several congregational meetings. At this time the services can be viewed from home on a computer by joining a private facebook group. If you cannot attend the worship services but wish to watch them live, please contact a member of council. Discussion on this matter is ongoing. 9. Pastor Gregg reported on the recent meeting of Classis Eastern Canada. A big change coming to our denomination will be the matter of ministry shares. More details will follow. Please continue to pray for wisdom for the elders and deacons as they discuss the matters of our church.