

Greenbank United Church March 18, 2026, Stewards Meeting Minutes

In attendance: Rev Ian Wilgus, Ted Smith, Debbie Watson, Emmy Iheme, Bill Monkman, Peter Dyvestyne, Mark Puckrin

Rev Ian opened the meeting with a prayer.

Approval of Minutes of Jan 14 meeting. Moved by Peter, 2nd by Ted, carried

Business Arising From Jan 14 , 2026 meeting Minutes:

A notice was dropped at the church from Durham Region informing us effective January 1, 2026, the church would no longer be receiving Blue Box Recycling curbside pick up.

Debbie reported that the funds from the Faithful Footprints grant had been received as per the previous correspondence, and a further approximately \$1000 would be forwarded within a year.

Debbie reported the Provincial Grant application for safety upgrades is still in progress. They had requested some more information which has been sent to them.

Mark reported that we received two quotes to supply and install combination emergency lighting / runningman exit signs as per the Scugog Twp fire safety officer recommendations. Crockford Electric had also been asked to submit a quote, but he respectfully declined because of liability concerns.

Monsma Electric quoted \$2500. + HST.

The second quote by Cedarwood Commercial was \$10,498.55 + HST.

After discussion, it was moved by Ted, 2nd by Peter that upon such approval of the Provincial Grant application, that we engage the services of Monsma Electric to install

the emergency light/exit signs. Carried.

Mark reported the 911 number sign had been purchased from the Township and it was installed on the post of the Church's front sign.

The Aluminum capping of the 11 sanctuary windows was quoted by 3 companies. All quotes included the cost of material, labour and man-lifts.

1. Clark Bros. Aluminum quoted \$8,050. plus HST to clad the sills and vertical portions of the window frames up to where the curvature begins. They did not quote on cladding the entire windows.

2. Allens Aluminum quoted \$6,820. + HST to clad the sills and vertical portions of the windows up to where the curvature begins. They considered cladding the upper curved portions of the windows, but determined they did not have the expertise to confidently attempt the work.

3. A. Oppers Ltd. quoted \$3,750. + HST to clad the sills and vertical portions of the windows up to where the curvature begins. The church would need to provide one length of chair rail molding. Adrian Oppers said to ensure a reliable preservation of the windows, they should be entirely aluminum clad. I asked him for a quote.

A. Oppers Ltd. quoted \$18,500. + HST to clad the sills and entire window frames.

They explained it is a very labour intensive job and would require a man-lift for the duration of the job.

After much discussion, it was decided a complete cladding would preserve the windows indefinitely with periodic recaulking, while partial cladding would still require the expense of painting of the curved tops using man-lifts every 4 years. Also partial cladding would still carry the risk of water seepage beneath the aluminum which could rot out the window frames. When asked, Oppers estimated replacing one window frame at \$10,000, excluding the cost of any transfer or possible re-leading of the stained glass.

It was moved by Bill, 2nd by Emmy that the Stewards recommend to the Greenbank Local Board that A. Oppers Ltd. be hired to completely aluminum clad the 11 sanctuary windows at the quoted \$18,500. Carried. The ensuing related funding discussion lead to arranging to meet with Scugog Heritage Committee to see what they may offer and any strings that may be attached. A representative of the Scugog Heritage Committee will attend the next meeting.

Mark reported he'd contacted Stryker, the defibrillator manufacturer looking for an update on the recall. They reported the recall is "evolving" and they are "working closely

with their distributor partners to manage the recall in alignment with Health Canada's recall guidance. While this is a coordinated effort, your supplier (Rescue 7) is leading customer communications, logistics, and replacement of affected units" .. and to communicate with Rescue 7 directly for assistance.

Peter reported he has made progress on the fire plan but it still needs more work.

Peter reported Lanos Plumbing completed the required inspection and forwarded their report to Durham Works. The church doesn't need to install a backflow check valve on the municipal water supply line. Durham Region will be mailing the church a letter officially conveying that message which should be kept in the church records.

New Business:

There was discussion about sharing the duty of opening and closing the church for meeting room rentals by outside groups. Doug will coordinate with Mark and stewards will oversee opening and closing for outside group use.

The next meeting will be Wed June 17 at 7:00 P.M.

Peter moved for adjournment.