

Property Resource Team



The Property Resource Team was constituted at our first regional meeting in June of 2019.

Our members are:

Rev. Gordon Roberts (Chair)
Janet Ross (Secretary)
Jack Page (North Bay)
Stuart Taggart (North Bay)
Rev. Rob Smith (Staff Lead)
Rev. Melody Duncanson-Hales (Staff Resource)
Paul McAlister (Thunder Bay)
Jim Jackson (Thunder Bay)
Rev. Dale Young (Porcupine)

In our first year we began our work on the policy framework for our Team's work within the overall mandate for the Support to Communities of Faith Commission for our Regional Council.

We have made considerable progress in this area this year. Thank you to Rob, Paul and Jim for taking the lead on this work. We have created a new Policy and Procedures Manual and it is posted on the CSRC website or it can be obtained from the regional office.

Like all of us, we have had to deal with the impact of the COVID-19 lockdown and the wonderful world of Zoom. Thank you to Sue Whitehead, (CSRC Executive Assistant) for helping us to see our way through this new world.

We have also had to find ways to get beyond "how we used to do things" to "how are we going to work together/be together" going forward. This remains an ongoing area of work for us.

Among the projects that we have been called on for comments/recommendations to the Commission have been:

Trinity (Manitoulin Island)	Elevator Install & Upgrades Recommended Approval (COVID-19 deferred work)
Central (Sault Ste. Marie)	Extensive Structural Repairs, looking for financing
Grace (Sudbury)	After Fire, Recommended Approval to rebuild church
Kapuskasing	Inquired regarding the sale of their Manse, no PRT action at this time
Trinity (North Bay)	Manse Fund use Recommended Approval with pay back, for building restoration
St. Andrew's (North Bay)	Need to Restore Structure to a useable State, We Recommended Approval for part one of a three part project to repair their belfry. We also Recommended Approval for the use of their Manse Fund to partially fund the project.
Harmony (Thunder Bay)	Sale of Surplus Property Resulting from an Amalgamation, Recommended Approval

As we move towards 2021, we are aware that the proposed disbanding of Chalmer's Church in South River, and the possible sale of the Manse at Sturgeon Falls are likely to be on our agenda.

Please let us know how we can be supportive of your ongoing work and projects.

The Transition Executive set \$75,000.00 as the distinction point between projects that can be approved by the Lead staff to the PRT (for those costing less than \$75,000) and for those costing more than \$75,000 requiring the approval of the Commission.

As the work and life of the Region continue to evolve we congratulate Rob Smith in his new role as Pastoral Relations Minister for the Region.

Let's work together as partners in this important area of work.

Rev. Gordon Roberts, Chair
(on behalf of the Property Resource Team.