

# Northern Spirit Regional Council Newsletter — May 2022

**Next Meeting**  
NSRC Executive June 8,  
2022 via Zoom

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## Northern Spirit RC Executive

- Northern Spirit Regional Council (NSRC) Executive met **via zoom, May 11, 2022.**
- At this meeting we reviewed the Audited Financial Statements for 2021. All was in order so the statements were accepted and approved.
- We approved the governance structure for Sherwood Park United Church. If your Community of Faith is wanting to redesign the governance structure that you use you are reminded to let the Community of Faith Support Committee know so they can give advice and review the structure to ensure it fits in with United Church requirements.
- Earl Reaburn gave a bit of a report on what has been learned thus far from the viability questionnaires that all Communities of Faith were asked to complete. Out of that discussion we decided to have a standing item on our agenda to talk about the health and well-being of the United Church in this part of the country. If you have not yet submitted your questionnaire responses you are urged to do so as soon as possible. Executive will be reviewing a summary of the responses to help in our vision casting and priority setting.
- Executive also learned about work being done to help provide more support to Communities of Faith engaging in discussions about amalgamations or ministry sharing agreements.
- It is our intention that the Executive will have a face-to-face meeting in the fall where we can have more detailed (and longer) discussions about visioning and priorities.
- We heard an update on planning for the 2022 Celebration of Ministry Service happening on June 5th at 1:00 at Spirit of Hope United in Edmonton. The service will be livestreamed on the SOHUC YouTube channel.
- The 2022 Annual Meeting/Gathering for NSRC will take place in the fall. We once again will be having an online gathering this year. Executive has set the dates for the Gatherings as October 14 & 15. Look for more information as the Planning Committee gets working on details.
- As this was the last meeting before the Celebration of Ministry Service it was time to renew some Executive members terms of office. With many thanks we bid farewell to Marilyn Carroll who has been a part of the Executive since the dawn of the new structure. This was also the last meeting with Gord Waldie as Chairperson since Helen Reed will be installed as Chairperson on June 5th. There is room for more Executive members!

**NSRC Executive** Gord Waldie (Chair), Helen Reed (Chair-Elect), Donna Kline (Treasurer), Alistair McKay, Margaret-Anne Hall, Peter Chynoweth, Marilyn Carroll, Leslie Penny, Mary Annan, Shannon McCarthy  
*Executive Minister,*

**Questions?** Contact us at [northernspirit@united-church.ca](mailto:northernspirit@united-church.ca) or Gord Waldie @ (780) 532 2415.

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### **Northern Spirit RC Executive**

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**Nominations are opening for a number of positions across the Northern Spirit Regional Council.**