

**PROVIDENCE REFORMED CHURCH OF WINNIPEG**  
**COUNCIL MINUTES SUMMARY**  
**October 7, 2020**

- 1) **Devotions:** Tom Hordyk opened by reading Psalm 34 and then led in prayer. Council sang #350 from the TPH.
- 2) **Business Arising from Minutes/ New Business**
  - A. Council discussed a proposal for counseling services.
  - B. Government COVID-19 regulations and the impact on church services and activities were reviewed and discussed at length. The regulations are sometimes not clear, confusing at points, and changing often, making it challenging to apply them appropriately. The current policy and a pastoral letter regarding this situation will be sent to the congregation.
  - C. Rental of a larger facility for conducting Sunday worship services with the whole congregation was investigated but a facility that could be used was not identified.
  - D. Council discussed the possibility of creating a position of a secretary to perform administrative functions.
  - E. Discussion of Ch. 3 – “Positive Leadership” from the book “Faithful and Fruitful” was deferred until the next meeting.
- 3) **Correspondence:**
  - A. Correspondence requesting support for various organizations was passed to the deacons.
  - B. Letters were received from several members of the congregation.
  - C. A letter was sent to the CanRC churches in Carman commemorating Pastor Pol’s retirement.
- 4) **Reports:**
  - A. **Deacon Reports:** Deacons continue to provide support for some members of the congregation. New districts have been assigned. The deacons will conduct their annual meeting with Pastor and Mrs. Anjema.
  - B. **Elder Reports:** New districts have been assigned and the lists will be distributed to the congregation.
  - C. **Pastor’s Report:** A new members class with a family is nearly complete and another class with another family and singles has started. Pastor Anjema will meet with MP Raquel Dancho next week so that she can hear concerns or issues from our church.
- 5) **Closing:** Andy Bakker closed in prayer.