

## **JOHN CALVIN PRESBYTERY CALLED MEETING**

### **JOHN CALVIN PRESBYTERY'S VISION STATEMENT**

**Joyful, holy community of Christian believers, diverse yet united.**

**Committed to serving Christ in the church and in the world.**

**Prepared by God through the Holy Spirit for mission and ministry.**

The Called Meeting of John Calvin Presbytery was called to order at 1:00 PM by Moderator Daniel Davis, followed by an opening prayer by Elder Susan Uffmann. Elder Cheryl Mayo read Psalm 146.

Stated Clerk Becky Schwandt stated the purpose of this Called Meeting was to vote on a motion to approve the sale of Shoal Kirk, a property of First Presbyterian Church, Joplin, MO.

Based on attendance and the participation list Stated Clerk, Becky Schwandt, declared that a quorum was present for this called meeting of John Calvin Presbytery. (A quorum necessary to transact business at each stated meeting of the presbytery shall consist of not less than six (6) ministers and as many ruling elders as may be present providing that at least four (4) particular churches are represented by ruling elders.)

**ATTENDANCE:** The attendance for the July 9th, Called Meeting of John Calvin Presbytery was twenty four ( 24 ) in total. The breakdown follows:

Eight ( 8 ) Teaching Elders serving church, attended via Zoom

One ( 1 ) Teaching Elders, Honorably Retired, attended via Zoom

One ( 1 ) Commissioned Ruling Elders serving a church, attended via Zoom

Eleven ( 11 ) Ruling Elder Commissioners attended via Zoom

Zero ( 0 ) Moderators of Presbytery, General Council, and Committees, attended via Zoom (not counted as pastors, elders or CREs)

Zero ( 0 ) Volunteers, attended via Zoom

Two ( 2 ) Visitors, attended via Zoom

Zero ( 0 ) Corresponding Member

One ( 1 ) Staff members, attended via Zoom

Nine (9) Churches were represented by elder commissioners (Two churches qualify to have two Elder Commissioners)

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First Presbyterian Church, Joplin, MO  
Meeting Via Zoom

COMMUNITY	CHURCH	TEACHING ELDER or CRE	Present Excused Absent	RULING ELDER COMMISSIONER
Ash Grove, MO	U. Methodist / Presbyterian	Crews, Joe	Absent	Absent
Aurora, MO	First Presbyterian	Vacant	Vacant	Absent
Baxter Springs, KS	First Presbyterian	Gantt, Larry	Absent	Absent
Carlyle, KS	Carlyle Presbyterian	Traw, Steve	Absent	Absent
Carthage, MO	First Presbyterian	Vacant	Vacant	Absent
Chanute, KS	First Presbyterian	Vacant	Vacant	Dawson, Mary
Crane, MO	Crane Presbyterian	Vacant	Vacant	Absent
Crocker, MO	Crocker Presbyterian	Agnew, Bill	Absent	Absent
Erie, KS	Federated Presbyterian	Choi, Shella	Absent	Absent
Everton, MO	Hampton Presbyterian	Vacant	Vacant	Absent
Forsyth, MO	Community Presbyterian	Schreurs, Randy	Absent	Excused
Fort Scott, KS	First Presbyterian	Gengler, Sarah	Present	Barrows, Mert
Galena, MO	St. Andrew @ Hideaway	Vacant	Vacant	Pirkle, Dennis
Golden City, MO	First Presbyterian	Iannucilli, Christine	Absent	Absent
Greenfield, MO	Ebenezer Presbyterian	Bartels, Robert	Absent	Absent
Iola, KS	First Presbyterian	Davis, Daniel	Present	Absent
Joplin, MO	Bethany Presbyterian	Oster, Tim	Present	Absent
Joplin, MO	First Presbyterian	Anderson, Kira	Present	Mayo, Cheryl
Joplin, MO	First Presbyterian	Anderson, John	Absent	Absent
Kimberling City	St. Andrew Presbyterian	Schacher, Tom	Absent	Daleske, Reina
Lockwood, MO	First Presbyterian	Vacant	Vacant	Absent
Mt. Vernon, MO	First Presbyterian	Mercer, Julie	Excused	Absent
Mt. Vernon, MO	Ozark Prairie Presbyterian	Vacant	Vacant	Absent
Mt. View, MO	First Presbyterian	Cooke, Diane	Absent	Absent
Mulberry, KS	United Presbyterian	Cuthbertson, Bob	Absent	Absent
Neosho, MO	First Presbyterian	Lee, William	Absent	Absent
Nevada, MO	First Presbyterian	Agee, Laura	Absent	Absent
Ozark, MO	Ozark Presbyterian	Schwandt, Becky	Present	Excused

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Parsons, KS	First Presbyterian	Dawson, Jennifer	Present	Absent
Pittsburg, KS	Presbyterian Church	Seo, Changwon	Absent	Absent
Rolla, MO	First Presbyterian	Vacant	Vacant	Absent
Sarcoxie, MO	First Presbyterian	Vacant	Vacant	Absent
Scammon, KS	First Presbyterian	Vacant	Vacant	Absent
Shell Knob, MO	Trinity Presbyterian	Wobbema, Peggy	Present	Absent
Springfield, MO	Gibson Chapel Presbyterian	Cormack, Jack	Excused	Absent
Springfield, MO	Hillcrest Presbyterian	Cormack, Jack	Excused	Absent
Springfield, MO	Southminster Presbyterian	CLOSING	_____	_____
Springfield, MO	Trinity PCUSA	Miller, Chris	Excused	Uffman, Susan
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Springfield, MO	Westminster Presbyterian	Pulleyking, Micki	Excused	Absent
Springfield, MO	Woodland Presbyterian	Roberts, Matthew	Excused	Absent
Stockton, MO	Stockton Presbyterian	Hill, Dale	Absent	Absent
Webb City, MO	First Presbyterian	Spencer, Charles	Absent	Absent
West Plains, MO	First Presbyterian	Dahlgren, Robert	Present	Absent
Willard, MO	Mt. Zion Presbyterian	Lee, Daniel	Present	Absent
Willow Springs, MO	Willow Springs Presbyterian	Cooke, Diane	Absent	Absent
_____	Honorably Retired	Nipper, John	Present	_____
_____	Honorably Retired	Evans, Vicki	Excused	_____

Presbytery Moderators and Staff		
Presbytery moderator	Davis, Daniel	Present
Presbytery moderator-elect	Williams, Brenda	Excused
General Council moderator	Anderson, Kira	Present
Administrative Ministries moderator	Dahlgren, Bob	Present
Committee on Ministry	Hollingsworth, Kent	Excused

Committee on Representation	Cooke, Diana	Excused
Mission and Nurture Committee	Lee, Daniel	Present
Presbyterian Women Co-Moderator	Russell, Joan	Excused
Treasurer	Winzenried, Dennis	Excused
Pastoral Presbyter - Staff	Spencer, Malinda	Present
Stated Clerk - Staff	Schwandt, Becky	Present

**VISITORS**

Beard, Sallie			
Spieth, Toni			

**Docket**

**CALLED MEETING OF JOHN CALVIN PRESBYTERY  
 Mulberry United Presbyterian Church  
 June 30th, 2023**

1:00 PM                      Call to Order - Moderator, the Rev. Daniel Davis  
 Opening Prayer - Ruling Elder Susan Uffmann  
 Psalm of the Day - Psalm 146 - Elder from First Presbyterian Church  
 Introduction of New Elder Commissioners - Moderator, Daniel Davis  
 Report of the Stated Clerk - The Rev. Becky Schwandt  
 Report of Administrative Ministries Committees - The Rev. Bob Dahlgren  
 Adjourn in Prayer - Ruling Elder Commissioner

**Report of the Administrative Ministries Committee**

**FOR ACTION:**

- Administrative Ministries Committee moves that John Calvin Presbytery approve the sale of Shoal Kirk, a property of First Presbyterian Church in Joplin, Missouri, for the amount of \$700,000. AMC further moves that the current Administrative Commission**

**be permitted to approve minor last minute changes to closing documents made in good faith between the buyer and First Presbyterian Church.**

**FOR INFORMATION:**

1. The Administrative Commission for First Presbyterian Church in Joplin, Missouri, elected at the 212th Stated Meeting of John Calvin Presbytery, is comprised of Teaching Elder Chris Miller, Ruling Elder Mert Barrows, and Ruling Elder Dick

Moderator Daniel Davis invited Administrative Ministries Committee Moderator Bob Dahlgren to bring AMC's report. Bob told the body that the Administrative Commission for First Presbyterian Church, Joplin, MO and the AMC have been working with the congregation for the sale of the Shoal Kirk Campground.

Administrative Ministries granted permission to First Presbyterian Church, Joplin to list the property after the conclusion of the auction since the reserve price, set and known between only a limited number of representatives of FPC, Joplin and the AC, was not reached the day of the auction.

After the property was listed, a buyer approached First Presbyterian Church, Joplin with an offer of \$700,000. The offer was presented to the session of FPC, Joplin and approved. Co-Pastors John and Kira Anderson communicated the church's desire to accept the offer to the Administrative Ministries Committee. AMC discussed the offer on the table and believed it to be a fair offer and that the steps for the sale of property were in order. AMC voted to recommend to John Calvin Presbytery's General Council a meeting of JCP be called for the purpose of approving the sale of Shoal Kirk for \$700,000.

AMC Moderator Bob Dahlgren then ask the Rev. Kira Anderson to speak on behalf of First Presbyterian Church, Joplin. Kira affirmed that session and congregation we in favor of selling Shoal Kirk and had accepted the sale price.

**Bob Dahlgren moved, on behalf of the Administrative Ministries Committee, that John Calvin Presbytery approve the sale of Shoal Kirk, a property of First Presbyterian Church in Joplin, Missouri, for the amount of \$700,000. AMC further moved that the current Administrative Commission be permitted to approve minor last minute changes to closing documents made in good faith between the buyer and First Presbyterian Church.**

Coming from a committee it does not need a second. JCP Moderator Daniel Davis opened that floor for questions and discussion. The body did ask some questions of clarification and discussion ensued. Dan then called for the vote.

**The motion was approved.**

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**Elder Dennis Pirkle moved that we adjourn the meeting following the closing prayer.  
Seconded and approved.**

The meeting adjourned at 1:23 AM after prayer offered by the Rev. John Nipper.

Respectfully Submitted,

*The Rev. Becky Schwandt*

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JCP Stated Clerk