Presbytery of Northern Waters

Special Called Meeting

January 8, 2019

Presbytery of Northern Waters Office – 10:AM

Ruling Elder Mary Voss, Moderator of the Presbytery of Northern Waters at the request of at least 2 Ruling Elders and 2 Teaching Elders is Calling a Special Meeting of the Presbytery of Northern Waters for Tuesday, January 8, 2019 at 10:00AM in the presbytery office. This is the same day as a meeting of the Committee on Ministry.

The purpose of the meeting is to consider action on the following items:

* To discuss and consider modification of the authority of an Administrative Commission of the Presbytery of Northern Waters that was authorized at a meeting of the Presbytery on June 26, 2018 for the purpose of assisting the J M Paine Memorial Presbyterian Church and the First Presbyterian Church of Wrenshall to discern their joint future.

Action sought: That the authority of an Administrative Commission (AC) formed by action of this Presbytery on June 26, 2018 for the purpose of assisting the JM Paine Memorial Presbyterian Church and the Wrenshall Presbyterian Church to discern their joint future, be modified to include the following in addition to the original action:

 That this AC be authorized to act on behalf of, and with the full authority of, the Presbytery of Northern Waters on all matters related to the merger of the JM Paine Memorial Church of Carlton and the First Presbyterian Church of Wrenshall, including, but not limited to actions to merge the churches, actions related to the membership of these two churches, actions related to the personal and real property of each church, and actions related to the incorporation of each church.

 The Administrative Commission is directed to report on the activities and actions of the Commission to each meeting of the Presbytery Council and to each stated meeting of the Presbytery.

Moderator, Mary Voss called the meeting to order with a New Year prayer.

A Quorum was declared:

Present: CRE Leslie Anderson, Rev. Joel Huenemann, Rev. Rich Blood, Resource Person, Jay Wilkinson, Elder Mary Voss, Rev. Jim Deters, Rev. Brad Carlos, Elder Gary Cross, Elder Judy Tribby, CRE Betty Starkey, Elder Pat Luostari, Elder Phil Peterson, Rev. Robyn Weaver, CRE Chip Holt, Rev. Ken Ribe, Rev. Chris McCurdy, Elder Russ Fish, CRE Cindy Martinson, Rev. Doug Workman.

Mary Voss reviewed the call to the meeting.

Action was moved and seconded.

Discussion:

 Judy Tribby from J.M. Paine said that they have started worshipping together, one month at Wrenshall and one month at Carlton. The first

 Sunday at Wrenshall they had 40 worshippers.

Leslie Anderson, Cindy Martinson and Joel Huenemann are on the Administrative Commission. They have met with the sessions and felt they were definitely committed to working out the technical issues. Leslie was impressed with how excited everyone was to begin this process.

**Presbytery voted to approve the action**

Mary closed the meeting with prayer.

 Rev. Lawrence Lee invited all to his installation at the Bayfield Church on Sunday, January 13 at 4 pm.

Betty Starkey

Minutes Taker