Groveland Congregational Church

United Church of Christ

Annual Meeting, June 7, 2020

The 293rd Annual Meeting of the Groveland Congregational Church was called to order at 12:13pm by Robert Lay, Moderator. The opening prayer was given by Pastor Chris Hart. A quorum of 30 was present.

Article 1. To view and receive the 2019 reports of the Officers, Ministers, Teams, and Organizations of the church. A couple of housekeeping items came up. We needed to decide which we intended to follow and report on, the annual year January to December or the fiscal year July 1 to June 30. The fiscal year seemed to be the consensus. The 2020 annual reports will need to do the catch up on this. The second item was to add the name Carroll Gustafson to the Search Committee as it was left off. Motion carried with 29 yes votes.

Article2. To see if the congregation will approve an override of term limits for the positions of Minister of Worship, Minister of Faith Formation, and Minister of Hospitality for the year of 2020 -2021 according to Article 5, Section 3 vacancies. John Statom made the motion and Bill Fabri seconded. Motion carried with 30 yes votes.

Article 3. To hear and act on the nominations from the Nominating Committee. Motion was made by Bill Fabri and seconded by Kevin Sullivan. Safe Church Committee has two new members, Suzanne Torrisi and Barry Lay will be working with Laurel Puchalski. Bonnie Glazier reported on the results of many phone calls. Now all we need to fill is the Minister of Stewardship. Motion carried with unanimous vote. **Article 4.** To see if the congregation will vote to approve the covenant between Groveland Congregational Church and Phoenix Rising. Lisa Quinnan made the motion and Deb Stephenson seconded it. After some comments were made Sue Harnden moved to table to the end of the meeting. The moderator explained that a tabled item was then dead on the floor, he believed that ended anything more to be done with the article. There was more discussion and more reminders that the article was no longer under consideration.

Article 5. To see if the congregation will approve changes to the Policy and Procedure Manual in accordance with our bylaws Article III sectionB. John Statom moved to accept and Amy Szarek seconded. LewHarrold called the question. Motion carried with 25 yes votes.

Article 6. To see if the church will continue to sponsor Boy Scout Troop 87, Cub Scout Pack 113, and Venture Crew 113 during 2020 and 2021. With a unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Article 7. To act on any additional business that may properly come before the church at this time.

The Moderator asked to return for a vote on Article 4. The congregation moved the question and the motion carried with 25 yes votes and 4 no votes.

Thus ended our first Annual meeting on Zoom.

Everyone was anxious to get done so they could have Sunday dinner, so Bob thanked the Clerk for her twenty three years of service and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane A. Holden, Church Clerk