

The Anglican Church of St John the Divine

Property Report

January 2021

Even though the building is not open to the public in the same way it was almost a year ago the fabric still needs to be maintained. Of the many who have a hand in that maintenance one, Graeme Brown, deserves a couple of stars in his crown. What with the tech up grade of our web capabilities, our computer up grade, the up grade associated with the organ project, he is very much involved in the core work undertaken by the Property Committee.

To this end, and especially of late, the water leak in the church has been our main focus. To date we have had the flashings re caulked, and the high gutters cleaned, we are waiting for better weather to take a look at the brick work around the lower roof on the north side of the building. With the moss removal on the lower north roof the estimated cost of this is somewhere near \$1500.00 (the brick work will be extra). We have considered having leaf guards installed on the upper roof gutters, however, as these are a custom design the cost of this appears to be prohibitive. The work so far, including the brick sealing, we consider to be maintenance, the installation of leaf guards would be a capital expense and would thus need further consideration.

For the information of the PC the Committee received absolutely no response to our advertising for a gardener. It so happens that the present gardener has changed his mind and is interested in bidding for the job. At present we are in negotiations with him so that we might eventually come to a proper contractual agreement. It is not too late for us to consider other expressions of interest.

With the present medical/public health requirements in place it is unlikely that we will be able to hold our annual spring clean. However, as with the last time we were allowed to congregate in the church, we look forward to having a major clean up when that happy day returns to us.

Our future work will be a combination of the scheduled work that regularly occupies our time and the work needed to fix whatever the building decides needs fixing. And you can believe me, the building seems to have a mind of its own.

Respectfully submitted,

“Andrew”