

**First Congregational UCC  
Building and Grounds  
March 2, 2023, 11 AM Zoom**

**Present: Barb and John Bottger, Byron Aldrich, Pastor Enno, Ranna LeVoir, Jeff Kern, Gwen Mattice**

**Architectural Update:** John sent emails to five architectural firms and heard back from three of them. **John will send the proposal letter to them and will include photos and floor plans.** Jeff said someone recently took photos of the church for his website. Byron suggests we just send the link to that website. This person is researching unusual buildings on the North Shore. John is to move forward with this project.

**Snowblowers - All is well!**

**Parsonage Walk Through:** It may happen in late March if a meal is to be included!!

**Playground Equipment:**

- The plywood will be replaced on May 10 Spring Clean Up Day.
- Gwen suggested filling in the dip under the swings and adding wood chips there.
- Enno suggests we paint the stairwell in the church. Jeff has the ladders to set this up.

**Oil Boiler System:** Jeff reports it is working just fine and we must have this system to qualify for dual fuel which gives us a 30% reduction on utility bill.

Ranna noted that there is a new plumbing and heating business in town, North Shore Plumbing and Heating. Byron likes the guy a lot and thinks this is a good time to get in their queue as they are building their business. Jeff notes we need someone who understands boiler systems. **Ranna will share their contact info via email and Jeff will be in touch with them.**

**Day Care Proposal and Playground:** The lease is being prepared with final negotiations to happen soon after.

**Solar Panels:** The presentation we saw are safely stored for future reference.

**Thank you Gwen for wrapping the hot water heaters!**

**Raised Garden Beds:** These need to be relocated on the property as the current spot is rather unsightly.

**Byron would like to store a ladder at the church if there is a good place to store it. It can be used by the church as well as for his own needs.**

**Next Meeting: Thursday, April 6, 11 a.m. Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89022475195>**