

**Presbytery of Yellowstone  
Special Meeting  
January 13, 2012**

**MINUTES**

A duly called Special meeting was held at Billings 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian Church at 10:00 a.m. on January 13, 2012. The stated purpose of the meeting was to examine Pollard (Paul) Cannon for Ordination and membership in Yellowstone Presbytery as a Teaching Elder and Pastor to the Community Presbyterian Church of Treasure County at Hysham, Montana should he be called by that church.

**12-001 – Cal to Order** - The Moderator, Rev. Jody McDevitt called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

**12-002 – Devotions/Opening Prayer** – Rev. McDevitt shared a reading from the first four verses of Chapter 1 of Philippians and then opened the meeting with prayer.

**12-003 – Roll Call** – Jody introduced Paul Cannon and his wife Joleanna along with Susan Ennis who is the recently installed pastor of the Poplar church. Those present then introduced themselves by stating their name and which church they were from. Present were:

Church	Minister Member	Elder Commissioner	Others Present
Billings, First Billings, St. Andrew	David Thompson`  Vacant	John Stewart	Greta Murray  Dave Kimball Curt Kochner (C&Y) Jim Tarr (Vocations)
Bozeman	Jody Mc Devitt Dan Krebill	Suzanne Bratsky	
Butte Colstrip Forsyth Hysham	Robert Shy Jr.	John Clark  Gayle Holland Karen Van Haele	Ron Hanson (Stated Clerk)  Don Holland (Vice Mod.) Sharon Milmine Waine Milmine
Poplar Terry	Susan Ennis Leon Rathbun		

**Also Present:**

George Goodrich  
Brent Long  
Susan Thomas  
Neva Rathbun  
Doug Johnson  
Priscilla Bell

**12-004** – A quorum was declared present and the Docket was adopted.

**12-005** – Neva introduced Paul Cannon and explained the interview process that the Committee on Ministry had used. She then invited Paul forward.

**12-006** – Paul Cannon provided some additional background on his faith journey and then read his Statement of Faith. A series of questions from those in attendance followed.

**12-007** – It was moved and seconded to arrest the examination and approve Paul for Ordination and membership in Yellowstone Presbytery as the installed Pastor of the Community Presbyterian Church of Treasure County if the way be clear. At this point Paul and his wife Joleanna were dismissed from the room.

**12-008** – Discussion of the motion followed. Neva explained that Paul was scheduled to preach to the congregation on January 15<sup>th</sup> and that a congregational meeting had been called for January 22, 2012.

**12-009** – Presbytery voted to approve the previous motion.

**12-010** – Presbytery voted to authorize Paul to function as the Minister to the Community Presbyterian Church of Treasure County, should that church vote to Call him, until such time as he is Ordained.

**12-011** – Neva presented the Terms of Call proposed by the church. Presbytery voted to approve the Terms of Call with the changes to Vacation time and Study Leave time. Presbytery also suggested that the Travel Allowance may not be adequate. The approved terms of Call are attached.

**12-012** – Paul and Joleanna were invited back to the meeting and greeted with applause. Jody announced the decision of the presbytery.

**12-013** – The meeting was adjourned with prayer at 11:27 a.m.

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Ron Hanson, Stated Clerk

## TERMS OF CALL

BETWEEN COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF TREASURE COUNTY, HYSHAM, MONTANA

and

POLLARD (PAUL) G. CANNON, JR.

The following Terms of Call are agreed upon between Pollard (Paul) Cannon, Jr. and Community Presbyterian Church of Treasure County, Hysham, Montana and approved by Presbytery

First Call . . . ¾ Time

Date Arrival in Hysham is 03 February 2012

Cash Salary \$22,943.25

Housing (manse and/or amt. of housing Allowance) \$ 6,882.98

TOTAL Effective Salary \$29,826.23

Full medical, pension, disability, and death coverage under Board of Pensions \$11,109.14

Other benefits:

Utilities Allowance:

    Paid by church—electricity, heat, water and sewer

    Excluded: TV, Personal Phone, and Internet service

Deferred Compensation -0-

Medical/Dental reimbursement allowance -0-

Paid vacation leave of 4 weeks including 4 Sundays annually

Paid continuing education leave of 2 (two) weeks annually \$ 600.00

Cumulative up to 6 (six) weeks

Professional Expenses \$ 250.00

Automobile Allowance \$ 600.00

Moving expenses 100% directly to moving company, and other vouchered \$ 8,000.00