

## **7/12/15 Christ Church Vestry Meeting**

Present: Val Neely, Don Snyder, Debra McNeil, Sandy Baril, Janis Hansen, Nick & Ashley Pairitz

### **I. Invocation**

The meeting began at 11:47am with invocation by Deacon Janis Hansen.

### **II. Approval of Last Meeting's Minutes**

\*Don made a motion to accept the June vestry meeting minutes as emailed and corrected. Nick seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

### **III. Reports**

#### a.) Clergy

-See attached report distributed by Deacon Janis immediately following minutes

#### b.) Senior Warden

-See attached report distributed by Sandy immediately following minutes

#### c.) Junior Warden

- Attended community picnic

- Nothing new to report

#### d.) Treasurer

-Received audit letter (will cover later under New Business)

- The treasurer received the bill for a new water heater in the rectory. The bill should have gone to Karen Tally (rental manager) so Debra sent it on to Karen. The cost of the new water heater was \$1900.00(\$1,000 for the water heater and \$900 for installation). It is a 40 gallon, gas heater.

-Line item "Rental Expenses" still appears on this meeting's budget report however, that title has been changed to "Parish Hall Rental Expenses" as suggested by the Senior Warden and will therefore appear that way in future reports.

- The insurance check for \$2879.00 was sent in

- Deb reported a \$1,218 operating surplus

- The treasurer noted that we will receive two months of rent in July as we did not receive a check in June from Karen Tally. In August we will see that reflected on budget sheet (\$260/month X 2)

-There was a \$150.00 donation made to 'Capital Improvements'. The treasurer has moved the donation into 'Landscaping'.

-\$1,036 was moved from the 'Kitchen Fund' into operating expenses in order to replenish for the kitchen painting expense. The check was sent to Dean Leary and a note will be sent for his donation at year's end.

-In regards to the 'Building Fund', the \$2,000 donation in Gloria Lombardi's name from her family & friends is reflected here. Currently, donations are placed in a capital account such as this.

**\*Don made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Nick seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

#### **IV. Old Business**

##### a.) Ordination

-There was discussion on details (see progress report and added notes attached to the end of the minutes)

##### b.) Community Hike & Picnic

- It was noted that only church members were present (no other community members).

- It was, however, agreed that the hike is an enjoyable experience and important fellowship for all church members who attend.

- Ashley and Nick have agreed to head up the hike and picnic next year if there is indeed one.

-There was some discussion that it may be very nice to have a service up at Branham Lakes to accompany the hike and picnic.

- It could serve as a weekend outing for the church.

-All of this will be thought over and revisited by the vestry at a later time.

##### c.) Table rental

-Although there is no written rental agreement for church tables and chairs, Sandy asked the vestry if she could borrow some tables for her family reunion.

**\*Ashley made a motion to allow Sandy Baril to borrow 5 tables at the end of July. Val seconded. Motion carried unanimously**

##### d.) Newspaper ads

-There will be one more color newspaper ad ran in the last weekend of August. The vestry will revisit the topic in September regarding rather or not to continue running the ads.

## **V. New Business**

a.) L.O.A (letter of agreement for the diocese.)

-See attached draft of L.O.A after the minutes

-The Sr. Warden brought up issues with the draft. i.e Janis cannot be called "Rector" or "Priest in Charge". "Priest in Residence" is the agreed title.

-Wording in the draft needs some altering. Words such as "employee" should not be used to refer to our priest in residence.

-Correction on line #5: Should be 6 months of service (NOT employment)

-The word "vacation", cannot be used in the LOA because it implies employment. The church would pay her for spiritual research but NOT for her vacation.

-Discussion & further editing of the draft

-There will be many edits made to this draft and we have time to turn in the finished document. This will be edited and then revisited at August's vestry meeting.

-A Church LOA of more detail pertaining to our relationship as a church w/ the new priest will be worked on by Sr. Warden and Deacon Janis.

b.) Jackson Garden Service

-The annual ecumenical service will begin at 9am followed by a brunch at 10am.

-The Methodist Church, Day Spring, and the new Baptist minister from Twin Bridges will conduct service. It is in the planning stage.

c.) Audit Report

-See attached document of the report, following the minutes

-On the 2<sup>nd</sup> line of the 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph, it should read "no exceptions" but it will be submitted to Barb Hagen (financial officer of the Diocese) to see if it is suitable as is.

\* Don made a motion to send off to the audit report to the Diocese. Val seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

## **VI. Other Items for Consideration by the Vestry**

### **VII. Next Meeting**

-Next meeting was scheduled for Sunday August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015 immediately following coffee hour.

## VIII. Adjournment

\*Deb moved to adjourn. Nick seconded.

-Meeting adjourned at 1:40pm