

March 15, 2015 Vestry Meeting

Present were: Tonya, Val, Don, Sandy, Nick, Janis, David and Ashley. Bill Calloway was present during ordination discussion. Father Harry was present for ordination and wood bank discussion.

I. Call to Order

Vestry meeting was called to order at 11:25am with invocation by Deacon Janis Hansen.

(Note order changes on agenda)

IV. Old Business

- a.) Ordination preparation was discussed first so that members of the church (outside of vestry) whom wished to be present could do so and then excuse themselves from the rest of the meeting.

Val Neely presented an update on ordination planning (attached after minutes in binder). She noted that porta potty rental has been taken care of. Nick volunteered to check on tent rental, which may be significantly less money to obtain if the town has one available as they have in the past for other community events.

Val said the matter of food/catering will be revisited at an upcoming meeting with Janet from the Shovel and Spoon. Deacon Janis said Tiffany Boucher has committed to playing music. Bill Calloway announced at today's meeting that he will donate \$1000.00 toward the ordination fund. The cost of bulletins is NOT included on the attached list but needs to be included.

e.) Wood bank management discussion was led by Fr. Harry. The division of the Beaverhead and Ruby Valley wood bank is supported by Dillon. Fr. Harry said full operation of the Ruby Valley Wood Bank will cost us no more than what is already budgeted. The expenses include fuel and hardware. Repairs should be included although Andy Verhow has generously donated his services for our truck repairs in the past.

The Senior Warden raised the point that Fr. Harry does A LOT to run the wood bank. She asked about what tasks he does which we should plan on doing after his retirement. He said he does the following:

- sends out email updates of deliveries, wood harvested
- writes grants
- Maintenance of equipment/truck
- correspondence with wood recipients

Father Harry then excused himself from the meeting.

*Don made the motion to separate the Ruby Valley branch of the wood bank ministry from Dillon's wood bank. Nick seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

II. Approval of last meeting's minutes

*Nick made the motion to approve February's vestry minutes as emailed. Tonya seconded.

III. Reports

a.) Clergy Report

*see attached report

b.) Senior Warden Report

-Met twice with the Ordination committee, once with Canon Roberts to get his input on the service.

-Annual report for our church was submitted to the diocese and accepted

c.) Junior Warden had no news to report. Senior Warden pointed out flashing needs repair. She also verified that water heater issue (not set to the correct temp) is being addressed.

d.) Treasurer's Report

Treasurer is absent but emailed out her report along with this month's expense/spending report

(*see attached report emailed to each vestry member)

*Nick made a motion to accept treasurer's report. Val seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

e.) Art and Architecture Committee

(*see attached report given to the vestry regarding their meeting)

-Tonya added that her aunt who makes blinds would be willing to help or give input if the committee would like.

IV. Finishing up Old Business

b.) New Parish Hall Tables

-Nick has researched tables and has found a few options online including 15 tables w/ or without a cart for storage and moving.

(see attached paper work of all options and pricing)

The tables would be lightweight and 5 ft diameter which could sit 6-8 people. If we order 15 shipping is free and there is a price break on price per table when bought in that quantity.

Sandy asked that we sit on this information for now and make a motion to purchase at a later time.

c.) Main street project

-Nick attended chamber meeting. The roads will be done getting all ripped up by the end of March. He said he will speak with foreman to figure out if we need to move our sign and when. He will also ask about handicap ramp being installed toward church entrance. Senior Warden said the contract included one standard handicap sidewalk access at the corner (as is standard) plus one at entrance. Nick will try to get a time estimate as to when this will occur in front of our property.

d.) Bank signatures

-Sandy is taking care of getting signatures for church accounts switched over. Nick will be required to go to the bank. She will let him know when.

V. New Business

a.) Newsletter

-A volunteer will be needed to do October and November newsletters as Tonya is expecting a baby and is due in October.

b.) Senior Warden asked if the vestry was interested in having an on-line Church calendar. Everyone agreed it would be a good idea, but we will wait until Deb returns to get her ideas of to accomplish this.

c.) Lawn care

-The matter of who will be watering the lawn this year has not been covered yet this year

-Don discuss with Nick and Ashley about doing lawn care again this summer.

-Sprinkler system donation to the church is not enough to cover installing sprinklers in the whole yard. The vestry will consider having part of the yard done and doing it in a way that will allow for full installation in the future. Don has been in touch with a man from Whitehall about sprinkler installation. Sandy suggested Don talk w/ Paul Marsh regarding who installed Jackson Garden's system.

Non agenda item:

Ashley made the vestry aware that the 3rd annual Community Hike and Picnic date is set for Saturday July 11th, 2015. She reminded the vestry of the prior decision that this year it would be decided, based on interest/attendance of this year's hike and picnic, if we continue having the event.

Next vestry meeting was set for April 12th immediately following coffee hour.

***Ashley moved to adjourn. Nick seconded.**

Adjourn 12:40pm

