

VESTRY MEETING MINUTES SUNDAY JULY 19, 2015

Vestry Members present:

Fr. Anthony MacWhinnie
Chuck Barnett, Sr. Warden
Linda Aligood
Susan Early
Dan Ferguson
Ann Philen

John Velaski

Others Present

Viv Welch, Clerk/Communications
Connie Chamberlin

Vestry Members absent:

Frank Murphy

I. Opening:

Father Anthony opened the meeting at 11:47 am with a prayer.

II. Review of Minutes:

A. Chuck Barnett moved that the July 2015 minutes be approved. Ann Philen seconded the motion. Motion carried

B. April 2014 Minutes still pending.

III. Senior Warden's Report:

A. Small Church Conference:

- i. Chuck requested that the vestry should be the Steering Committee for all sub-committees
- ii. Chuck would like to set up a Facebook Page for Small Church Conference
- iii. Sub-Committees will be:

a. Facilities/Accommodations

- a. Parking – designate
 - i. RV Parking (no hookups) – Ann and Ron Philen will be hosts if necessary
 - ii. Juliana Horn volunteered to bring one of her horses and help with parking
- b. Porta-potties (?)

b. Food

- a. There are volunteers willing to cook (Ideas were discussed)
 - i. Fred Woods – barbecue pork in advance for bbq sandwiches
 - ii. Jackie Wright and Beth Woods – Soup and Sandwiches
 - iii. Box Lunch

c. Logistics

- a. Wi-Fi in the church
 - i. Brenda Ferguson and Viv Welch – First step is to call Cox Communications for advice
 - ii. TechSoup is a resource for reduced prices if we need to purchase equipment
- b. Signage (?)

- d. Hospitality
 - a. Decorations – Connie Chamberlin (ECW)
 - b. St. Monica’s Members Identification – Bandanas, Connie Chamberlin will research Oriental Trading Company
- e. Speakers
 - a. Fr. Anthony will meet with the Bishop to see what subjects he would like to see covered
 - b. Chuck would like to see Communications discussed – Viv Welch/Elizabeth MacWhinnie

IV. Junior Warden’s Report:

- A. The Backflow Prevention System has been tested.
- B. The Fire Alarm/Suppression System is not working properly
 - i. Get an estimate for repair as soon as possible
- C. The A/C unit on the south side of the church nearest the women’s restroom is not working properly.
- D. The plywood sign that was on Hwy 29 has been taken down and is stored in the space between the garage and apartment.
- E. The chimney at Thee House needs to be sealed to keep critters out but it is approximately 20 feet high and will require hiring someone to do the job.
 - i. Plywood has been put in place at the entrance to the fireplace to keep the critters from entering into the living room

V. Rector’s Report

- A. Haneyville – It was a great day.
- B. Meeting with Dwight Babcock at the Diocesan office to discuss the loan for the Thrift Store is scheduled for Tuesday, (August 18?).

VI. Old Business – There was no old business

VII. New Business

- A. Memorial Garden – Ann Philen will reevaluate the Letter of Agreement and rewrite/update if necessary.
- B. Fundraising – Our Choir Director has several connections to musicians who could participate in Earth Day 2016

VIII. Treasurer’s Report

- A. Linda Aligood presented the following:
 - i. Statement of Activity for July 2015
 - a. Total Revenue - \$9,379.34
 - b. Total Expenditures - \$11,297.17
 - ii. Statement of Activity August 1-15, 2015
 - a. Total Revenue - \$7,668.25
 - b. Total Expenditures - \$5,065.25
 - iii. Statement of Financial Position as of August 15, 2015
 - a. Total Assets \$941,332.98

b. Total Liabilities \$182,524.52

- B. Chuck Barnett moved that Linda close the Commercial Money Market account and move the funds to the checking account under same headings (Family Life Center and Memorial Garden Plots & Markers). Susan Early seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- C. With the extra funds that were authorized/reported last month, Fr. Anthony's Pension Fund has been paid in full and is up to date.
- D. It was suggested that Linda look into the cost of ECUA commercial trash pick-up instead of the dumpster.
- E. It was suggested that we schedule a work day for Band of Brothers and Sisters in September.
- F. Dan moved that the Treasure's Report be accepted as presented. Chuck seconded the motion. Motion carried.

IX. Calendar Review

- A. September is Stewardship month
 - i. First Sunday, Fr. Anthony will ask one or two members to tell why they are members of St. Monica's
 - ii. Second Sunday will be a presentation of finances and how we spend them
- B. The Silent Auction will be tabled until next year
 - i. We will start planning in October 2015
- C. Fundraisers – one per quarter
 - i. Ask for ideas from the congregation

X. Other Business

- A. Connie Chamberlin expressed that she recognized the need for an Alcoholics Anonymous meeting place in the Cantonment area. Fr. Anthony concurred and added that he sees the need for a Women's Only group.
 - i. Fr. Anthony had some experience with AA groups at St. Augustine's
 - a. AA groups pay to use the space
 - b. They will need to have a key to the building
 - c. Fr. Anthony experienced very few problems with groups at St. Augustine's
 - ii. Connie Chamberlin will call AA to see if there is indeed a need for a group in Cantonment and if St. Monica's can be the meeting place.
- B. John Velaski apologized for not being active lately. John also expressed concerns about opening a thrift store considering our financial position.

XI. Closing/Adjournment

- 1. Father Anthony closed the meeting with prayer at 1:42 pm.