

VESTRY MEETING MINUTES SUNDAY JANUARY 24, 2016

Vestry Members present:

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

John Velaski

Beth Woods

Others Present

Viv Welch, Clerk/Communications
Brenda Ferguson, Church Secretary

Vestry Members absent:

Dan Ferguson (working)

I. Opening:

Father Anthony opened the meeting at 11:38 am with a prayer.

II. Review Minutes (November 2015)

A. Linda Aligood moved to approve the November 2015 Minutes. Ann Philen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

III. Senior Warden's Report

A. Deferred

IV. Junior Warden's Report (Brenda Ferguson):

A. Dan would like to arrange a work day following this month's Band of Brothers & Sisters in order to clean up and organize the garage under the apartment to make room for storage of Thrift Store items. He would like to clean up the unsightly area where the shed was removed as well.

V. Rector's Report:

A. Manager Needed for Thrift Store:

- i. Father Anthony feels that we should have a manager identified before we proceed with the property rental. He has a lead on a person with experience who is seeking a job at this time.
- ii. Father Anthony will call her this week to set up an interview with her. If he thinks she is the person for the job, he will set up a second interview with three members of the Thrift Store Committee, who along with Fr. Anthony will decide whether to hire her.
- iii. Fr. Anthony noted that it is customary for the Rector to be the person who hires/fires employees on church grounds. He is not clear whether that extends to something like the thrift store.
- iv. It was agreed that if anyone has concerns about the way the manager "manages" the thrift store, they will address it with Fr. Anthony who will decide whether to address it with the manager. In other words, he will be his/her boss, not anyone else from the church.

B. H&R Block Donations

- i. H&R Block will make a donation to St. Monica's Quilting Guild for anyone who uses them to prepare their taxes and mentions the donation to St. Monica's quilters.

VI. Old Business

A. Approval of the Terms and Conditions for the Memorial Garden

- i. Fr. Anthony requested that everyone read the Terms and Conditions that were emailed to you last year and be ready to discuss/approve at the next vestry meeting.

B. Piano Key Fund:

- i. Beth Woods requested if Jeff Woods donation could be moved to the Memorial Fund for a plot and he will make up the difference in the cost. Linda Aligood requested that Beth send her an email with this request.
- ii. Ann Philen moved that the Treasurer move Jeff's donation from the Piano Key Fund to the Memorial Garden Fund. Susan Early seconded. Motion carried.

VII. New Business

A. Cleaning Service – retain?

- i. There had been some previous discussion about eliminating the cleaning service due to the lean budget. Ann Philen has a list of ten people who are willing to do some of the cleaning.

B. Cox Cable – box/tv – retain?

- i. After some discussion, Beth Woods moved that we cancel the cable tv service in the apartment. Linda Aligood seconded. Motion carried.

VIII. Treasurer's Report

A. Linda Aligood presented the treasurer's report as of January 23, 2016.

- i. There was considerable discussion concerning the budget with \$66.54 available funds and \$9,040.30 due by February 1.
- ii. Today's offering was approximately \$950 and there is one more Sunday in January to make up the difference.

B. After carefully examining the Statement of Financial Position, Susan Early moved that we terminate the cleaning service effective with two weeks notice due to our financial position at this time AND that we state it clearly to Robin (the woman who does the cleaning) that this decision is strictly financial and is in no way due to the quality of her service. Linda Aligood seconded. Motion carried with 5 "yes" votes and 1 abstention.

- i. Fr. Anthony will call Robin to terminate the cleaning service.

C. Beth Woods will check her computer files to see if she still has the list of volunteer cleaning duties and she and Ann Philen will work together to create a cleaning schedule for volunteers.

D. Chuck Barnett moved that all of the funds now in the Piano Key Assets and Prayer Shawl Ministry line items be moved into the general fund for use toward current liabilities. Beth Woods seconded. Motion carried.

E. Brenda Ferguson asked that the Treasurer hold the Secretary salary until such time as the budget is more solvent. Brenda will continue to do some secretary duties as a volunteer.

F. John Velaski moved that the Treasurer's Report be accepted as presented with amendments as discussed. Susan Early seconded. Motion carried.

IX. Next Vestry Meeting:

A. The next vestry meeting will be Sunday, February 28 (as per Fr. Anthony's calendar)

X. Closing/Adjournment

1. Father Anthony closed the meeting with prayer at 1:25 pm.