

Minutes of the Vestry – March 15, 2016

Present: The Very Rev. Paula Vukmanic, Sr. Warden Jennifer Sams, Jr. Warden Clint Alley, Mark Duley, Tim Coleman, Jennifer Egan-Spaulding, Dick Cantine, Liz Cook, Laurie Anderson, Dick Briggs

Not Present: John Henebry, Ginger Bredeson, Terri Tsuchida

Also Attending: Business Manager Elaine Mistele

Mo. Paula opened the meeting at 7:05 with a prayer. The members reflected on Ephesians 3:14-21

The February minutes were approved.

Elaine gave the financial report for February. Operating receipts \$42,489.34, Operating Disbursements \$53,642.24, resulting in Net Income of negative <\$11,152.94>.

There was a discussion about welcoming newcomers to the parish. Susan Marshall and Rev. Peter are working on avenues to welcome new members.

Mo. Paula reported recent results from the Investment committee. The 2015 Vestry had voted to withdraw our parish money (\$327, 000) from the Diocesan investment trust.

Mo. Paula discussed asking The Rev. Michael Neils to be a regular preacher in our Sunday rotation.

There was a discussion of what duties an additional assistant would have, and whether a lay person might be a better fit for a youth leader.

Jr. Warden's report: is attached.

There are 7 projects to prioritize, items 1-6 on the first three pages and item 7 on the top of page four.

MOTION: Clint Alley moved that the priorities on items 1-6 be accepted and that on item 7 the mulching project be accepted as a B priority while reseeding the grass area behind the church be an A priority . The motion was seconded and **PASSED**.

Clint mentioned that we had a yellow flag on our most recent water bill, we were over budget in February by 6 CCFs, by comparison, January was under by 54 CCFs .

Cell tower lease renewal: Is in process. \$2300/monthly payments to St. Francis with an annual 3% increase, and the company will pay any taxes incurred.

MOTION: Dick Briggs moved to proceed to close the lease on the cell tower up to 2040, with a minimum signing bonus of \$30,000.

There was discussion on whether or not the lease included mentions of hazardous waste on site and all buildings on site being up to code. Dick is going to check the contract for these concerns.

Organ Repair Update: The electrical console needs to be replaced , the leather elements “chests” also need to be repaired , total cost ~\$72,000. The console repair would take 3-4 months and possibly involve borrowing an organ during the repair time. Before sending a letter out to the parish, we are getting a second opinion.

Update on Space for Children and Youth: Mo. Paula checked with the diocese on the process for the proposed remodel. There was vestry discussion on next steps.

Vestry Committees: attached

Tim closed the meeting at 9:03 pm with a prayer.

Blair Hinz, Clerk