

Vestry Meeting Minutes

November 9, 2022

Present: Karen Derr, Jim Grillo, Gregg Learned, Leah Nichiporuk, Richard Little, Donella Barney, Joan Rogerson, Terry Channing, Mary White, Ellie Buotwell, Donna Noteware (clerk)

Absent: Wayne Grimes, Marilyn Dowdle

- 1. The meeting began at 6:30 pm with a prayer by Gregg Learned.**
- 2. Approval of Minutes:** Jim made the motion to accept the October 12, 2022 minutes and Terry seconded the motion. All were in favor so the motion carried.
- 3. Treasure's Report-** October 2022. Karen explained a few line items-a) Maintenance and grounds- rug cleaning and mowing. b) Renovation Fund-down payment for Stained Glass windows. Donella mentioned that Five Star Bank was offering 4% for an eight-month CD. After discussion, Karen will check with Five Star Bank to see if the 4% rate can be applied where the money is now. If not, Karen made a motion to take the money from the Five Star CD and put it into an 8-month CD at 4%. The motion was seconded by Terry and all were in favor. Jim made the motion to accept the treasurer's report and Leah seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.
- 4. Special Request to address Vestry:** Mary White and Ellie Boutwell: Mary and Ellie came to ask the Vestry to consider hiring a parish secretary to do the bulletins; learn the video system. It will involve eight to ten hours a week and learning the video system; need to purchase a computer. The secretary will work every Sunday morning. Ellie mentioned that Wayne is interested in the position. After discussion Jim made the motion to approve the position of secretary for up to 20 hours a month at \$15.00 per hour with a specific job description. Gregg seconded the motion and all were in favor. The motion carried. Leah made a motion to purchase a lap top computer not to exceed \$1000 with the money coming from office supplies in the regular budget. Richard seconded the motion and all were in favor. Karen will purchase the computer.
- 5. Committee Reports:**
 - a) Outreach and Mission:**
 - 1.** We have adopted a family for Christmas with 5 children ages 10 to 12- 4 boys and 1 girl. Donna will make a list of items and sizes.
 - 2.** Socks for the VA. There will be a basket in the back of the church for the socks.

3. Final plans for the Cookie Walk- December 3, 2022. Karen will bake 150 cookies. Leah has ordered the frosting from Betty Kay bakery. Leah will also call the Chamber to see how many tins were sold.

4. Lessons and Carols Christmas Eve at 7 pm. No Christmas Day services

b) Buildings and Grounds: Follow Up:

1. **Bell Tower- email from Gregg explaining why we stopped swinging** the bell: The frame is unsafe and it would be very expensive to repair to make it save.

However, the tolling we do for funerals and All Saint's Day involve a hammer striking the inside of the bell, not swinging the bell, so it is quite safe. Since there are two ropes Jim asked Gregg to show him how the bell works after the vestry meeting.

2. Faucet: Terry said it is not repaired yet. Gregg said he will fix the outside faucets.
3. Lights upstairs and putting some on timer. Gregg said all the lights are LED and he will program them to turn on.
4. Stained Glass Window repair- Karen said about \$2000 collected so far.

6... Other Business:

1. Nomination Committee: Karen and Marilyn will be cochairs of the nominating committee: Need to nominate- Gregg, Rich, Joan and Wayne for 3-year terms (2025). Leah will be Junior Warden and Jim will be Senior Warden. After discussion decided to have nine on the vestry instead of ten. Donella is leaving.
2. Budget Committee: Karen, Jim, and Leah have a meeting scheduled at 3 pm on November 28, 2022.
3. No news on the Website (Wayne was absent)
4. Leah will order the garland for Christmas.
5. Where do we stand with the aprons? Karen has asked "Engravers Plus" to do the aprons. Hopefully we will have them by the athlete's dinner.

7... Any New Business?

1. Donella is leaving after the December 2022 Vestry Meeting
2. Will do Supply through December and January
3. Athletes Dinner: Friday December 16, 2022 3 to 5:30 pm. There are 2 home games. Wrestling Team; Basketball teams; Cheerleaders are invited. There is a signup sheet.
4. We will do the greening of the church: Karen Thompson will help Donna make the swags. Gregg will let us know when it should be.

Jim made the motion to adjourn and Terry seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Respectively submitted, Donna Noteware (clerk)

Next Vestry meeting, December 14, 2022 @ 6:30 pm.