

June 17, 2018

Minutes of St. Luke's Vestry Meeting held on June 17, 2018. (Revised)

In attendance were the Rector, Rev. Ron Wikander, Sr. Warden Al Cash, Jr. Warden Neil McDonald, Vestry Members Lauren Burgreen, Susan Lipham, Pat Dearing, Tony McConnell, and Treasurer Meredith Yacavone. Absent were Rosanne Johnston and Roger Johnson.

Meeting was called to order at 11:30 AM followed by prayer offered by Rev. Morgan.

1. A motion was made by Pat Dearing and seconded by Neil McDonald to accept the minutes of the May 27, 2018 Vestry meeting. Motion carried.

2. A motion was made by Pat Dearing and seconded by Al Cash to accept the the minutes of the Called Vestry meeting held on June 1, 2018. Motion carried.

3. Treasurer's Report:

a. Treasurer Yacavone reviewed various financial reports with Vestry Members emphasizing that the Church is doing a good job at staying under budget.

b. The Treasurer reviewed information regarding the status of the mortgage. Current mortgage balance is \$50,408.00. Loan interest rate is 4.51%. A motion was made by Pat Dearing and seconded by Al Cash to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion carried.

3. Jr. Warden's Report:

Jr. Warden McDonald stated that he is preparing a policy document intended to ensure that all maintenance expenses are incurred on a pre-authorized basis only.

4. Rector's Update:

1. Rev. Morgan led a discussion regarding the service and pot-luck lunch scheduled to be held on July 29, 2018. It was agreed that:

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- a. One service only at 9:30 AM (Holy Communion)
 - b. Contemporary language service
 - c. We may have a visiting priest (Fr. Justice) from Nigeria, attending the service.
 - d. A motion was made by Pat Dearing and seconded by Neil McDonald to cover Fr. Justice's transportation expense from Atlanta to Blue Ridge and return, via car rental or possibly shuttle service. Treasurer Yacavone suggested that \$1,500.00 in un earmarked gifts are available in the General Operating Fund and could be used in support of Fr. Justice's visit. The Vestry agreed that this would be prudent use of those available funds.
 - e. Pot luck dinner to follow service.
 - f. St. Luke's should have a float in the June 30 Old Timer's Day Parade.
5. There will be a vacancy on the Vestry subsequent to Tony McConnell's ordination on the 23rd of June.
6. After serving for upwards of 10 years and in anticipation of a heavier workload, Tony McConnell has asked to be relieved of duties as Vestry Clerk, when a replacement has been identified.
7. The Memorial Garden/Cemetery Committee has been reorganized with Neil McDonald, Pat McConnell and Meredith Yacavone serving as committee members. Parishioner A.D Frasier has expressed an interest in possibly joining this committee. A motion to approve the suggested composition of the Memorial Garden/Cemetery Committee was made by Susan Lipham and seconded by Al Cash. Motion carried.
8. Sr. Warden Al Cash stated that updating of the Church website is coming along well. The website has a new look and will continue to be fine tuned, as needed.

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Mr. Cash welcomes new ideas and encourages all parishioners to take a look at the new website and make their recommendations and suggestions.

Many thanks to Sr. Warden Cash for assuming the first year's website fee. Going forward, the annual fee will be \$158.00 per year.

9. General Discussion:

a. Rev. Morgan stressed the need to get the committees recommended by the Strategic Planning Document up and running. The committees are as follows:

Welcoming/Education/Fellowship/Communications and Community Outreach. After a lengthy conversation, Vestry Members were encouraged to bring their recommendations of individuals to staff these committees to the Vestry Meeting scheduled for July 22.

Vestry Member McDonald stated that the Vestry needs to come up with a plan by which the Strategic Planning Report can be publicized and distributed.

b. A motion to support Memorial Garden Committee Chairman Pat McConnell's request to increase the charge for a brass recognition plate to \$200.00 was made by Neil McDonald and seconded by Al Cash. Motion carried.

c. A brief conversation regarding increasing usage of the "All Calls" phone notification system took place, with no specific recommendations made.

Having no further business, a motion for adjournment was made by Al Cash and seconded by Susan Lipham. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 12:25 PM with a closing prayer offered by Rev. Wikander. The next scheduled meeting of the St. Luke's Vestry will be held at 11:30 AM on Sunday, July 22, 2018.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tony McConnell
Vestry Clerk

