

The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd
Minutes of Vestry Meeting
April 11, 2021

Members present: Fr. Lance Robbins, Chris Nuccitelli, Pauline Stebbins, Diane Babcock, Jill Daddis, Wayne Delperdange, Ed Kushall, Art Mason, Pam Meyris, Kris Murraray, Roch Whitman

Members absent: Rev. Barbara Fornalik, Cheri Mascitti, Dick Robinson

- Opening Prayer
- March Minutes
- Finance Reports
- Re-opening review of process and procedures
- Current follow-ups
- - Gutter cleaning
- - BBQ dinners/Taco Tuesdays
- - Vestry Guide
- - Shed
- - Energy Audits
- Fire inspection Results
- Lance Parish Updates
- New business
- Closing prayer

The meeting opened with a prayer from Father Lance.

The minutes of the last meeting were reviewed. There were typing errors which will be corrected. The corrected minutes will be submitted to Roch so they can be posted on our website and also to the bulletin board in the narthex. Ed K. moved we accept the minutes. Diane B. seconded the motion was voted on and passed.

Finance Report

Dick R. is out of town but he sent the members the reports via email. The reports were reviewed. It was noted that not much has changed since last month's meeting. There was no discussion or questions. Jill moved we accept the Finance Reports. Pam seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and passed.

Jill had a suggestion regarding finance and stewardship. Since we now accept PayPal can we have information about Stewardship added to our website with a link to our PayPal account. Jill will write something up regarding stewardship and submit it to be used for this purpose.

Re-opening

When we re-open we will use the procedures, we used in the Fall however, we do not have to do contact tracing. The ushers will compassionately remind those entering about social distancing and wearing masks. There is hand sanitizer set up in two places in the narthex. Pews have been marked to allow for proper distance seating space. One change will be that we will not be entering and exiting through two different doors. Discussion followed regarding how we could be doing a better job about refreshing the minds of parishioners who will be joining us for the re-opening and in the future. Some do not have or use social media and do not receive the weekly updates or newsletter. It was suggested that Debbie, our office secretary, could call the few people who do not use social media and remind them of our re-opening and procedures. Lance will get together with her to set this up,

Gutter cleaning

The person that was suggested we call to get an estimate does not do this type of work anymore. Chris will follow-up with other companies.

BBQ and Taco Tuesday

Chef Cordaro has been contacted and is willing to help us do a Taco Tuesday fund raiser instead of a chicken BBQ. Our former vendor is selling his food truck and is no longer doing BBQ's. We would like to do a monthly taco night set up similarly to the BBQ with drive through pick up using the chef's food truck. Chef Cordaro will get together Richard R. from the Outreach committee to start the process of getting this started. Art will also get together with Richard R. and report back to the vestry.

Vestry Guide

The vestry guide that Pam suggested we all take a look at is now posted on the diocese's website in PDF format. You can also call Debbie in our office and she can send you the link or print off a copy for you. The document is about 50 pages.

Shed

The old shed has been emptied and is ready to be taken down. Discussion followed. Chris will contact the fire department to see if they could use it for a drill or practice. Once the shed is down it will be hauled away by volunteers from the church.

Fire Inspection

We have not had an inspection since 2018. One was conducted last month. The inspection found that the main sprinkler system needed to be updated. Lance had our sprinkler company come in and do the update. We also need to purchase and install carbon monoxide detectors. Ed K. volunteered to purchase them.

Energy audit

Kris has been in touch with RG&E. She is just waiting now for confirmation on a date when the audit can be done. Chris said he would like to be present when that takes place.

Parish Update

Duke Story, son of Barb Story our past secretary, is very ill with cancer. Lance will be with him today for last rites.

Marsha Cyrana passed away. There was a service here and it was well attended. She was a member of our parish and a member of Stitchers.

Alexandra Barbato was married at Good Shepherd last month.

Lance got into see Ruth Johns at the church home. She is doing well.

Bill White is home but his health is failing.

Faith Bishop is doing as well as can be expected. She and Gordan have a lot of support.

Old Business:

None

Father Lance ended the meeting with prayer.

Submitted by Pamela Meyris