

The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd
Minutes of Vestry Meeting
May 16, 2021

Members present: Fr. Lance Robbins, Chris Nuccitelli, Pauline Stebbins. Diane Babcock, Jill Daddis, Ed Kushall, Cheri Mascitti, Art Mason, Pam Meyris, Roch Whitman, Dick Robinson

Members absent: Kris Murraray, Rev. Barbara Fornalik, Wayne Delperdange

Adgenda

- Opening Prayers
- April Minutes
- Finance Reports
- HR Outside Resources Available
- Current Follow-ups
 - Gutter Cleaning
 - BBQ Dinners / Taco Thursdays
 - Shed Removal
 - Energy Audits
- NYS Safe Church Training Requirements
- Barb Fornalik Retirement
- Lance Parish Updates
- New Business
- Closing Prayer

Father Lance opened the meeting with prayer.

Old Business:

The minutes were reviewed. Jill moved we accepted the minutes as submitted. Cheri seconded the motion. The motion to accept the minutes from the April meeting was passed.

Finance Report

YTD Income is 133,821.93. We are 10,000 ahead of where we were last year at this time. This makes us well ahead of our 2021 budget.

Expenses were 101,628.00. Dick feels we are in good shape due to the fact our income compared to expense is +32,196.00. Dick feels this is due to the fact that parishioners are contributing differently as a result of the pandemic. The

contributions are more consistent because there is more direct banking being used. Summer may not be a slow time for contributions because of this.

Balance Sheet

Trust fund now has a balance of 155,000.

Dick asked if we are planning to do anything with the Scholarship fund this year. Is anything happening with this? Was a committee formed? Chris will research and find out when the committee was formed and who was going to participate. We have a student who qualifies for the scholarship money. Applicants must submit an application. Jill moved we approve \$500.00 for Seamus O'Neil for the Good Shepherd scholarship. Ed seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Paypal

Of the contributions given through Paypay the contributor receives 100% credit however Paypal takes 2% of that. We need to let contributors know that they need to adjust their contribution sheet/statement to have them be aware of this. There are 2 contributors who use Paypal. Dick will contact them and give they options for contributions. Chris will put something together for the newsletter to make our congregation aware of the Paypal fee and also on the Paypal site on live stream and also on our website. Jill moved that the we have the contributor absorb the Paypal fee. Roch seconded. Motion voted on and passed.

Current follow-ups

1. No update on gutter cleaning
2. BBQ/Taco Tuesday
There was a meeting with Cordaro, and Richard R. to discuss the set up and start date. We will start some time in early June. The cost is \$13.00 for 2 tacos and 2 sides.
3. Shed removal – the Webster Fire Department will burn down/take down the shed.
4. Energy Audit – no report

New Business

HR Resources Available

We have Paychex as an outside resource for this. Many felt we need to get the Diocese involved in this before we use an outside source. Lance will contact Kristi from the Diocese and ask her to come in and advise us on what we may need. This will give the Vestry an opportunity to ask questions and get an understanding on what we will need moving forward.

Safe Church

This a program required by the Diocese and the Bishop. The vestry is being asked to complete this program. It can be found on the Diocesan website. Chris will send out the link to the Vestry members. Pam will record and track all the participants from Good Shepherd.

Barb Fornalik Retirement

Barb has retired as our Decan, becoming Deacon Emeritus. We will be celebrating her years here. Roch will head the committee. Pam and Cheri will help him gather information on options for places, costs, availability.

Parish Updates

Lance was at memorial ceremony at Maplewood Nursing home this week honoring those who have died this year.

There was a memorial service for Mary Ann Lagergren on Saturday.

Jean Wasmuth was in the hospital but is home now.

Janet Maier is back in the hospital

Bill and Brenda Munch will be celebrating their last Sunday with us on May 23 before they move to Michigan.

Father Lance ended the meeting in prayer.

Submitted by Pamela Meyris