

The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd
Minutes of Vestry Meeting
December 14, 2021
Parish Hall @ 6:30PM

Members present: Fr. Lance Robbins, Chris Nuccitelli, Pauline Stebbins, Diane Babcock, Ed Kushall, Cheri Mascitti, Pam Meyris, Kris Murraray, Bruce Dunn, Dick Robinson

Members absent:

Roch Whitman, Wayne Delperdange, Rev. Barbara Fornalik, Jill Daddis, Art Mason

Agenda

- Opening Prayers
- November Meeting Minutes Approval
- November Financials Review
- 2022 Budget Approval
- Stewardship Update
- New Diocesan COVID Recommendations / Christmas Services
- New Vestry Candidates Update
- Annual Meeting / Time & Talent Day
- Facilities Report
 - Basement & Roof Water Issues Update
 - Exterior Lighting Sensors
 - Locks on Narthex Doors
 - Sexton Schedule and Reporting Process
- New Business
- Closing Prayer

Old Business

The meeting opened with prayers given by Father Lance.

The November minutes were reviewed. Cheri M. moved that we accept the meetings as written. Kris M. seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and passed.

Financial Report

Balance Sheet

Dick R. presented the financial report from November. He explained the changes that occurred since October. Those were: \$100,000 will be transferred to the Diocese investment fund, PPP Loan monies were transferred to the Outreach fund. Dick explained that this money can be moved only if the Vestry approves it. Joyce White is going to establish a music scholarship fund in memory of Bill White. Lance, Karyn and Joyce will review applicants.

Income and Expense Report

We have 278,140.07 in pledged income and 23,000 in tracked non-pledged income for a total of 284.652. This is 7,000 ahead of last year at this time. We had an expense of 1657.00 for the maintenance of the heating systems. As of December, our Income is greater than our Expenses.

2022 Budget Approval

We are well below our pledges compared to last year. There are 34+ units that have not pledged. We need to continue to remind the parish with emails and information in the update. Calls will be made after the holidays. Bruce will get a list of names to Ed so he can email those on the list. We are 47,000 below where we need to be.

The Budget was presented line by line. There is a 20,000 increase in the 2022 budget from 2021. There is not much change in expenses for 2022. The expected budget for 2022 is 316,634. Looking at our pledged income so far we have a 34,143 deficit.

Much discussion followed the presentation of the 2022 budget. Pam M. moved for the Vestry to support the 2022 budget as presented and move ahead with the Annual Budget Sheet as presented with the stipulation that it may be changed by

the Treasurer for Annual Meeting with known facts. Cheri M. seconded the motion. The motion was voted on the passed.

Covid Recommendations and Christmas Services

As of today, we are doing most of what is on the recommendation list. We will not do contact tracing at the services. Masks will continue be to worn in church. There was discussion about social distancing during the holiday services. Chris will write and submit a concise statement about social distancing, masks being mandatory and that we cannot guarantee that social distancing can be followed during Christmas. He will enforce the use of our live stream services. The vestry decided we will not pass the plate. Extra plates will be placed in the back of the church. Kris M. will take charge of the project of envelopes for Christmas services being printed and put in the handout.

The new vestry members joining us in 2022 will be Don White, Pete Rothfuss and Kathy Stokes. The Jr. Warden will also be announced at the Annual Meeting.

The Annual Meeting will be January 23 via live stream. We will not be able to have a Time and Talent Day at this time due to the rise in numbers of Covid cases.

Facilities Report

The basement work will start next week.

Tom Y. has a report on the roof.

A new mailbox has been installed.

Door locks and light sensors will be installed in the new year.

The new sexton will be available at church 2 mornings a week.

New Business

Caroling will take place today. Meet at church at 1:45. All are welcome.

Parish Update

Denise Junker was in hospital with a kidney stone.

Saturday is Alma Austin's memorial

Horace B. is in hospice at the Episcopal Church Home

Al Cotsonas is in RGH, not doing well

Jeanne W. is a home

The meeting ended with prayer by Father Lance.

Submitted by Pamela Meyris