

St. Peter's Episcopal Church
Vestry Meeting Minutes
September 21, 2017

At 7:04 P.M., the meeting was called to order by Fr. Jim Clement, interim priest. He led **opening prayers**. Bill Nicklas, Senior Warden, presided over the meeting.

Those **present** were Fr. Jim Clement, Anita Biletzky, Barb Weaver, Judy Dettloff, Lynne Roberts, John Vain, Bronwyn Burgweger, Bill Nicklas, and Donna Hill, Vestry Clerk.

Those **absent** were Jack Frost and Steve Guziec.

There were four **guests** in the audience.

After a motion and a second, the **agenda** was approved as given.

After discussion, the **minutes** were approved after a motion by Barb Weaver and a second by John Vain.

In **open forum** Pat Klein presented the possibility of offering one 9:00 A.M. Sunday service instead of a 7:30 A.M. service and a 10:00 A.M. service throughout the entire year instead of just during the summer. There was discussion. The Vestry felt that the suggestion was worth researching. This possibility will be brought to the Parish.

Jane Ovitz conveyed appreciation to all who give their time and efforts when volunteering service for funerals/Memorial luncheons and other special activities. Bill Nicklas asked if a more structured/organized system should be in place for seeking volunteers to help. There was discussion.

Committee Reports

Treasurer's Report – John Vain explained budget activity. He noted that the budget is “off” on pledge income. He shared that the Vestry needs to address this regarding expenditures and the possible need to readjust. He reminded the Vestry that the Hines/REIT is no longer available as a source of income.

Building and Grounds – Pat Klein reported that between now and October, painting should begin at the Wetzel House. Bill Nicklas reported that outside spotlights need to be replaced as well as some other electrical issues that need addressing.

Cleaning Bids- Anita Biletzky reported receiving two bids on cleaning the church and parish house. These were given by Tom Klein (\$375 per month) and Kelly's Custom Services (\$237.50 per month). There was discussion. It was decided to seek additional bid(s).

Caregivers – Minutes attached

Christian Outreach – Minutes attached

The church will be involved with the Crop Walk, Feed My Starving Children, and Samaritans Purse “Operation Christmas Child.”

Priest Search Committee – Judy LaPorta shared that so far, there has been no response to our quest for applicants.

Judy Laporta added that October 5th will be a Ladies Night Out at P.J.'s Courthouse/Grill.

Interim Rector's Report – Fr. Jim spoke of the fall Christian Education program, beginning October 1st, and held on Sunday mornings. Adult classes will run for six weeks. Children's classes will be offered two Sundays a month. He expressed appreciation for all who donate their time/support to the church. He reported that one position will need to be filled due to the resignation of Catherine Carroll. Two former part-time positions are being combined for one office manager. The current organist will be leaving October 29th. Supply organists will be used along with the service of Larry Dirst until a permanent priest is secured. At that time, a search will begin for a new organist. Fr. Jim asked the Vestry for permission for Linda Boothe and family to rent Waterman Hall in June of 2018 for a wedding reception. Permission was granted. Fr. Jim reported that the Parish Discernment Committee with Steve Guziec has ended, per decision by the nominee.

Old Business

Delegates for the upcoming Diocesan Convention are Larry Dirst, Anita Biletzky, and John Vain. Barb Weaver agreed to be an alternate.

New Business

Music Ministry – Discussed previously in the Interim Rector's Report

Executive Session was called at 8:53 P.M.

A motion was made by Anita Biletzky and a second by Judy Dettloff to **adjourn** the meeting at 9:15 P.M. The motion carried.

Closing Prayers were given.

Respectfully submitted by,

Donna Hill, Vestry Clerk