

MINUTES OF ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH VESTRY MEETING

AUGUST 20, 2020

Approved September 17, 2020

The vestry meeting was held on Zoom and was called to order at 7:02 pm by Phil Montgomery. Those present were: Phil Montgomery, Anita Biletzky, John Vain, John Boies, Varsie Geisler, Lynne Roberts, Lianne O'Keefe, Henry Burgweger, Dee Goodale, Fr. Mark Geisler, and Judy LaPorta, clerk.

Absent: Fr. Georges and Donna Hill

An opening prayer was given by Fr. Mark.

Phil Montgomery moved to approve the agenda, Liane O'Keefe seconded, and the motion carried.

John Boies moved to approve the minutes of the July meeting, Varsie Geisler seconded, and the motion carried.

Senior Warden report: Phil Montgomery reported that much work has been done to work with the insurance company on repairing the damage of all 5 buildings on the church campus, caused by the April hail storm. John Vain has been working with the roofing company and the insurance appraisers to finalize details of the work needed and the insurance payments. Phil asked John Vain to report on this project.

John Vain reported that after the April 7th hail storm, many homes in the area had damage to their roofs. Since he had a contractor working on his personal residence, John asked the contractor to check the church properties for roof damage. It was discovered that all the buildings, the church, Waterman Hall, the rectory, the Wetzel and the Nolan house, all had damage to their roof and the Wetzel house had damage to the siding. Because all property is under one insurance policy, our deductible is only \$1,000.00 for all the work to be done. Waterman Hall and some of the church building have two layers of roofing tiles. When they were repaired or reroofed, the first layer was not removed. (this was probably to save money). This makes installing the new roof a bigger job, as both layers will be removed. A small portion of the rectory has different shingles than the rest, and the insurance will not pay for that. The gutters on the buildings have been damaged and insurance only covers the damaged ones. The cost to replace all gutters is reasonable, so we will pay the difference to replace them all. Before this work is done, rotted wood under the gutters will be replaced and painted. This will be at the cost of the church, but needs to be done. There are some other minor repairs that will be done in conjunction with this project, that the church will pay for.

Phil Montgomery praised and thanked John Vain for the time and effort he has put in to see that this project gets started. This is a huge project, costing around \$172,000.00 and the church will only pay \$1,000.00 for the deductible.

John Vain also mentioned that limestone is falling off of the church building in chunks. At some point in the future, the R&R committee will need to address sealing and tuckpointing the church building.

Junior Warden report (attached): Anita Biletzky reported that the tree in the back of the rectory toppled during the storm on August 10th. A number of members helped cut the branches and move them to the parkway to be picked up by the city. Anita thanked all that came to help. The city has removed them all from the parkway. We will need to fill in where the stump was. Jane Ovitz will purchase another tree to be planted in the yard. The type and location of the tree have yet to be determined.

Our former Wetzel house tenant did pay the water bill that she owed, after receiving a certified letter from Anita.

The Wetzel house has some electric and window work to be done, which will be done in conjunction with the roofing and siding project. The tenants have reported that there are bats in the house. They have sealed the opening where the bats were coming into the house. Hopefully the residing and reroofing will seal the outside so they can't get in.

Treasurer's Report: John Vain apologized for the reports being sent out late. It was due to an issue with QuickBooks and the fact that he has been busy working on the storm damage with the contractor and the insurance company. The report on the rental property will be sent shortly.

The accounts are in good shape. There is not much activity due to Covid 19.

John Boies moved to approve the Treasurer's report, Varsie Geisler seconded, and the motion carried.

Outreach: (report attached). Lynne Roberts reported that we will once again participate in the Shoebox ministry and the Salvation Army tag tree this year. The Crop Walk will be virtual this year due to Covid 19. She will have sign up sheets etc. next week for the St. Peter's team. This year you don't have to just walk, you can run, ride your bike, or swim. Anything that gets you moving.

Convention: Because the convention is virtual this year, the question was raised if Barbara Weaver, one of our delegates, would be able to participate. Barbara has no e-mail, computer or iphone. John Vain said he would set up an e-mail for Barbara, provide her with a computer or laptop, and be with her during the convention to assist her as needed.

Rector Report: Fr. Mark reported for Fr. Georges, who is on vacation. Fr. Mark reported that we will be offering confirmation classes and asked Judy LaPorta to elaborate. Judy reported that e-mails had gone out to all those who were qualified for

confirmation or reception into the church. Each candidate received a separate e-mail depending on their situation. To date, one family with three children has responded that their children are available and will attend. Another couple also would like to attend. Two people that we had on the list have already been confirmed in the Episcopal church, but we do not have their records.

Fr. Mark reported at on Sunday, Sept. 13th, our service times will change to 8:00 am – Rite I -10:00 am, Rite II and 11:00 am – Zoom. Also on that Sunday we will have a cookout from 11:30-12:30 for all who'd like to attend.

Varsie Geisler moved that the meeting be adjourned, Lynne Roberts seconded and the motion carried.

After a closing prayer by Fr. Mark, the meeting was adjourned at 8:08pm

Respectfully submitted,

Judy LaPorta

Vestry Clerk