

# **MINUTES OF ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH VESTRY MEETING**

**SEPTEMBER 17, 2020, Approved October 15, 2020**

Prior to this vestry meeting, Larry Dirst conducted our Ministry Review. Minutes taken by Larry Dirst are attached to these minutes.

This was a closed meeting. Our wardens and vestry recognized and thanked Larry Dirst for the time and work he put into the review.

The vestry meeting was called to order 8:02 pm by Phil Montgomery. Fr. Georges opened the meeting with a prayer.

Phil Montgomery moved that the minutes of the August meeting be approved, Anita Biletzky seconded, and the motion carried.

Treasurer Report: John Vain reported that pledges are still coming in, although the plate giving is down. Other than our monthly bills, we are not spending. We should be seeing a decrease in our electricity bill due to the LED lighting project. Our gas bill was high during this summer. All line items are in good shape.

Minor maintenance is up as our buildings are getting older and things are breaking.

The rental houses will be added back to our church finances as our accounting program cannot handle separating them properly.

The taxes have all been paid.

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

Outreach: Lynne Roberts reported that the Outreach committee continues providing Hope Haven meals monthly and St. Peter's delivered Meals on Wheels for the month of August.

Caregivers: Lynne Roberts reported that Oak Crest has 3 employees and 9 residents who tested positive for Covid 19. All reported cases were in the health center. Residents must wear masks when out of their apartments. Oak Crest staff is being tested, however, residents are not at this time. Those living at Oak Crest are experiencing emotional stress. They are not allowed to have visitors and must eat alone in their apartments.

Rector report: Fr. Georges reported that our cook out went so well we will do it again!

There are a total of 11 people in the confirmation class. 9 attend in person and two via zoom. Wednesday, Sept. 30th will be the last class. Pictures will be taken and there will be pizza before class.

St. Peter's will be welcoming Brad Osborne as a deacon postulate. He will be working closely with Deacon Dee.

On October 11th we will have another cook out with hamburgers, hot dogs, chips and dessert.

John Boies commended Fr. Georges on the prayer said outside of St. Peter's to remember those lives lost on 9/11. The bells were rung 19 times, commemorating 19 years since that devastating day. Next year will be the 20th anniversary and we will plan a larger event.

On October 3rd we will have Animal Blessing. It will be posted on local web sites and in the paper.

John Vain reported that insurance has approved and work would be beginning on the roofing and siding projects on the St. Peter's campus. He also noted that limestone was falling off of the church in large pieces and that is a project we will need to look into.

Donna Hill came in as the meeting was closing and moved that the meeting be adjourned, all present seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

After a closing prayer, the meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy LaPorta

Vestry Clerk