MINUTES OF PRARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD DECEMBER 16TH, 2012

Present: Rick O., Angela, Bev H., Erica, Linda, Rev. Judie, Myril, Rev. Marilyn, Jean, Rev. Mike

Regrets: Rick M., Wendy, Joanne, Bev P., Raymond

The meeting began at 11:50 a.m. with Rev. Mike leading us in prayer.

Approval of agenda: Rev. Judie motioned for the approval of the agenda, second by Linda. Motion carried

Approval of minutes from November Council meeting: Corrections to November minutes as follows-Under 3.1 Treasurer's Report-remove Jean's comment on dollar amount. Under 3.2 Ways and Means-Remove last sentence. Jean motioned for the approval of October's minutes, Rev. Marilyn seconded. Motion carried. A special thank you to Wendy for doing the minutes.

Ongoing business:

2. COUNCIL MINISTRIES REPORTS:

- 2.1 Communications-Correspondence: None
- 2.2 Rectors Report- Rev. Mike expressed how pleased he is as to how wonderful everyone works together and thanks council for all they have accomplished this past year.
- 2.3 Wardens Report-No formal report

3. FOLLOWING COMMITTEES:

3.1 Treasurer's Report-Approval of the 2013 budget was discussed. Linda moved that the 2013 budget be approved as submitted by Bev H., seconded by Myril. Motion carried. Rev. Judie said a special thank you to Bev H. for all her hard work as treasurer. Rev. Judie motioned the approval of the December financial report, seconded by Rev. Marilyn. Motioned carried.

- 3.2 Ways and Means Report-Jean gave her report. The Craft show went well. The Turkey supper went very well. Pie sales went well. Children's sale went very well. Council will plan another children's sale next year. We need to ask anyone who is doing a fundraiser in the coming year to submit their event before January to Jean so she can organize our 2013 calendar. Jean feels our success of the turkey supper this year was the choice of date.
- 3.3 Property Report and Cemetery-Built shelves in the furnace room for the Guide groups, signed Snow Removal Contract with Brian Lynch, determined their 2013 budget and made plans for 2013.

4. SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT:

- 4.1 Spiritual Development Report-Rev. Judie said it would seem that everything we set out to do turns out to be a great success. Rev. Mike would like for us to go all out for Epiphany Sunday. The youth will be asked to take part as well.
- 4.2 Sunday School Report-no report
- 4.3 Choir Report-no report
- 4.4 Administration Committee Report-See under New Business.

5. PASTORAL CARE REPORT:

- 5.1 Pastoral Care Report-Connie Hudson submitted her report. They had a busy month with making 28 calls, 18 visits and 10 cards sent.
- 5.2 St. Andrew's Ladies Group Report-They had their Christmas party. Collected items, boxed and delivered Mission to Seafarers. Jean and her husband met 3 of the sailors while delivering these boxes. These men expressed how thankful they were for the boxes. Jean said it was such a rewarding experience to see what happiness the shoeboxes gives to these sailors who are so far from their loved ones.
- 5.3 Outreach Report-Rev. Mike noted that we did not have a White gift Sunday this year. The parish of St. Andrew's collected donations for the Phoenix youth wish list again this year. A large Christmas gift basket was also sent to the

Marguerite center. Rev. Mike started a short discussion on the loss of us doing the soup kitchen. As individuals, anyone can go and help out anytime at the soup kitchen.

6. STEWARDSHIP:

It was suggested that we actively look to our own community to seek out those who are in trouble or in need. All agreed.

7. CLERICUS-REGIONAL COUNCIL-DIOCESAN SYNOD OR OFFICE:

7.1 New or Special Business-No new information

8. OUTSTANDING OR NEW BUSINESS:

- 8.1 St. Luke's re-zoning (Rick M.)-After a brief discussion it was decided to leave it be. It is understood that HRM will not entertain a request for rezoning even if we offer to pay for it. The cost is not the issue. Council is not prepared to put out more money. Council decided to continue to leave it in the hands of Doug and our real estate man, Bob Angus who was here at a previous meeting.
- 8.2 Renters not cleaning up (Rick M.)-It was discussed. We will continue with reminders to the different hall users to please clean up after themselves.
- 8.3 Sabbatical Preparations (Rev. Mike)-Rev. Mike will be leaving after the service on Christmas day and will be back for the AGM on March 3rd. Rev. Mike has set up Rev. Tammy as priest in charge while he is away(cost\$100.00 a month).
- 8.4 Org chart lamination (Rick O.)-The org chart and 'Who does what' list will be posted in the basement. So far the best idea is to cover the chart and list with a thin sheet of plexi-glass. The charts will not be posted until all the name changes are in for 2013.
- 8.5 Advertising in the bulletin (Angela)-More information is needed. To be revisited in April.
- 8.6 Scrapbooking/photo album(Angela)-A yearend review party-spring fling. To be further worked on by Spiritual development, Jean and Angela

- 8.7 Other: Revisit council meetings on Sunday-Revisit it next meeting, after the trial period of having council meetings Sunday's after church. The next meeting will be Sunday, January 27th.
- 8.8 Christmas letters were sent out.
- 8.9 A special thank you to council-especially Wendy and Brian Higgins for all their hard work done on the Children's Christmas sale.
- 8.10 Edith will be away until the end of March. Rev. Judie suggested not having choir practice during that time(to help save money). Linda motioned to pay \$75.00 for the replacement organist with choir practice every second week, Myril second. Motion carried.
- 8.11 Erica-Envelopes and parish list needs to be updated. Rev. Judie suggested getting together after Rev. Mike returns from his sabbatical to redo the parish lists. Bev H. asked for everyone to send her all the lists and she will work her magic with her software.

Rick O. said a special 'thank you' to Bev H. for all her printing services.

ADJOURNMENT & CLOSING PRAYER 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Angela, secretary

Next meeting-Sunday, January 27th, 2013