

PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

February 20, 2014

Present: Myril Wells, Bev Pattison, Anne Dauphinee, Anne Fraser, Rick Morash, Helen Clattenburg, Jinny Giza, Bev Higgins, Rev Marilyn Hamlin, Rev Mark Pretty, Linda Strachan, Rev Judie Lafford, Erica Orlando, Rick Orlando, Wendy Wells.

Regrets: None

The meeting opened with prayer at 7:05 pm led by Rev. Mark Pretty

Erica moved and Rev Marilyn seconded that Linda chair the meetings. In her absence Rev Mark will fill in as chair. Carried.

Linda welcomed all the new members and our new Rector. Everyone introduced themselves.

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1.4 The approval of the agenda was moved by Bev P. and seconded by Myril. Carried.

1.5 There was a correction in the minutes under 4.1 Spiritual Development. This committee did not meet with Rev Mark until this past week. Also under 8.1, it was clarified that Doug identified \$55,000 in expenses to do with the sale of St. Luke's. Bev Higgins moved and Rick Orlando seconded the approval of the minutes with the above corrections. Carried.

1.6 Ongoing Business

There was no ongoing business.

Council Ministries Reports

2.1 Communications – Bev H received a copy of the new insurance policy in the mail. This was given to Rev. Mark.

2.2 Rector's Report – He will have a report another time.

2.3 Warden's Report – On February 14th, Rev Judie, Rev Marilyn and Linda met to finish off last year's business. They met with the Spiritual Development Committee on February 18th.

Following Committees

- 3.1 Treasurer's Report – Bev H. mentioned the high cost of oil for the month of January. Rick M suggested putting up reminder signs by the exit doors to turn down the heat when they leave. Par is down and so is the regular offering. Our income is down \$1,162.10 from last year. There is only a small percentage using Par. The first meeting of Finance will be held on March 18th at 7:30 pm. Bev H moved the adoption of the Financial Report and Rev Judie seconded. Carried.
- 3.2 Ways and Means Report – The Pancake Supper is coming up on March 4th. Linda has ordered the sausages and they are ready for pick up. Everything is all set for this.
- 3.3 Property Report and Cemetery - No report. One of the hand sanitizers requires new batteries. Bev H will look after this.

Spiritual Development

- 4.1 Spiritual Development Report – The Spiritual Development Committee met this past Tuesday. They filled Rev Mark in on what has been done in the past and they discussed what can be done in the future. A meeting with the Sunday School is being held next week. The Lenten services and a program were discussed.
- 4.2 Sunday School Report – A meeting will be held on Monday evening.
- 4.3 Choir Report – Judith Wright our fill in organist travels by bus early Sunday from Shirley St in Halifax.
- 4.4 Administration Committee Report – A meeting is being set up. The members of this committee are Bev. H, Erica, Rev Judie, Brenda Morash and Joanne Hanley. The Lenten envelopes need to be sent out ASAP. All coin cards, envelopes, bulletin covers have been purchased and are in the Fellowship Room. Bev H felt she was only to attend the meeting in case anything came up about finances. Rev Judie said the computer is not working properly. Bev H offered to take it in and have it cleaned up. If this won't fix it, we may have to get a new one.

Pastoral Care & Outreach

- 5.1 Pastoral Care Report – The Pastoral Care Committee carried out their regular activities during January. They made 38 phone calls, 7 visits, and sent out 6 cards. They also did 22 visits at Melville Lodge for communion. Connie Hudson has approached Rev Judie about stepping down as chair of this committee. Rev Judie suggested we honour Connie on March 23rd for her commitment to this job.
- 5.2 St. Andrew's Ladies Group Report – We had a games night for our February meeting. We met on Friday, February 7th for a short meeting. We have speakers coming to our March meeting and again to our April meeting. The speaker in March

will speak to us on Strokes and in April we will learn about osteoarthritis. We are looking after the lunch for the World Day of Prayer Service which is being held in our church this year. We then played board games for the rest of the evening.

5.3 Outreach Report – The World Day of Prayer is being held on March 7th here.

Stewardship

Clericus-Regional Council-Diocesan Synod or Office

7.1 Rev Marilyn attended Clericus at St. Nicholas. This is always held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month.

Regional Council. – Colleen Tizzard, Secretary and Treasurer of Regional Council says our church owes dues for the year 2014 and also for the year 2013. Dues are \$25 per year.

Someone needs to take notes at the Regional Council meetings so we can include a Regional Council Report at our Annual Meeting.

Outstanding or New Business

8.1 St. Luke's - Linda says there have been 2 amendments to date. An extension has been given. The time frame is not up until March 7th. It was requested that Linda look into the investment of the money and find out who gets to use it. Rev Mark suggested calling Peter Flemming. Bev H offered to do this. Rick O asked if we can use some of this money to offset our deficit.

8.2 BLT Choir – March 2nd – The BLT choir will be with us on March 2nd. They will sing four selections. We will provide a lunch of hot dogs and cake for everyone. Rev Marilyn moved that a \$100 honorarium be given to the choir. This money will come out of the Spiritual Development budget. Rev Mark said the first half of the service will be family oriented on a child's level and the rest of the service will follow as usual. The choir will arrive at 9:45 am. The Sunday School children will attend the service and not have regular classes.

8.3 World Day of Prayer – The rehearsal will take place on Monday at 7 pm. The Ladies Group will look after the lunch.

8.4 Masthead News – Rick M would like the community to know our church. He would like to have a picture of the Rector and the Parish Council put in the Masthead News. Rick M will ask Raymond Scott to take a picture of us at the next council meeting.

8.5 Talent Show – Rick M suggested putting on a Talent Show with local community talent. This will be put in the bulletin. Wendy offered to help with this.

8.6 Garbage Cans – Wendy asked council why they were not allowed to buy

garbage cans for the church hall out of the Ladies Group funds. After a lot of discussion, Rev Judie moved that the Ladies Group be given a budget of \$200 for small purchases without having to come to council. Any purchases over the \$200 limit will have to be brought to council for approval. Jinny Giza seconded. Motion carried.

Adjournment & Closing Prayer

Rick M moved adjournment and we closed with the Grace at 8:40pm.

The next meeting of Parish Council will be held on **March 20, 2014, at 7 pm.**

Respectfully Submitted

Wendy Wells
Secretary.