

PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

June 13, 2013

Present: Erica Orlando, Rev Marilyn Hamlin, Rev Judie Lafford, Bev Pattison, Bev Higgins, Myril Wells, Helen Clattenburg, Linda Strachan, Jean Schwartz, Wendy Wells, Anne Fraser, Rev Mike Conrad.

Regrets: Rick Morash

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

Parish of St. Andrews

1.4 Linda moved and Rev Marilyn seconded the approval of the Agenda as circulated. Carried.

1.5 Rev Judie moved and Myril Wells seconded the approval of the minutes as circulated with the following amendments. 5.1 Under pastoral care the large number of home communions included the services that Rev Judie and Rev Marilyn are holding at Melville Lodge. 8.3 It should read that Rev Mike would be gone 75%. Carried.

1.6 Ongoing Business

Toner – There is lots of toner now and everything is working great with the copier.

Council Ministries Reports

2.1 Communications – There were no communications. It was announced at Synod that Bishop Sue is retiring March 31, 2013. A Suffragen does not have the right to succeed the Bishop. A Co-Adjutor Bishop will have to be elected sometime in November and they would work with Bishop Sue and move into her position when she retires. The Suffragen Bishop has his/her duties, does parish visits and regional visits and shares the duties with Bishop Sue.

2.2 Rector's Report – Rev Mike spoke to council about his proposal and his decision to retire at the end of this year. He said we were a great parish!

2.3 Warden's Report – The Wardens had a busy month. Linda attended Regional Council on May 14th. They attended an Altar Guild information session, a Finance Committee meeting, a Worship Committee meeting and a funeral. They met with Bishop Sue to discuss Rev. Mike's proposal and met with Rev Mike, Doug Gillett and the Angus team in regards to the sale of St. Luke's. Linda attended Synod and gave a report in church along with the other delegates.

Following Committees

3.1 Treasurer's Report – Bev Higgins moved and Linda Strachan seconded the

acceptance of the Treasurer's report. May was a very positive month and we are only \$441.70 in the red for the YTD. Jean asked if we had looked at the fuel plan with the Diocese.

- 3.2 Ways and Means Report – The Fish Chowder Lunch raised \$374.00 and the concert raised \$434.50. A Ham, Scallop Potato, and Baked Beans Supper is planned for October 19, 2013.
- 3.3 Property Report and Cemetery – To repair the front entrance will cost approximately \$5000. \$2000 has already been raised so we would need to come up with another \$3000. It was agreed that they go ahead with this expenditure. Rev Judie moved and Erica Orlando seconded that the Property Committee be given the approval to redo the front entry and that we encourage people to contribute to the Renovation Fund. Motion carried.

Spiritual Development

- 4.1 Spiritual Development Report – The Sunday School closing was held and the Day of Pentecost was also held with cake served after the service. This The Altar Guild, the Eucharistic Ministers and the Servers were all trained. Shawn Rideout is going to be a crucifer/server and the Wile girls will be candle bearers. It was suggested that a Christian Education Committee be formed to look at ways of keeping the children interested in coming to Sunday School.
- 4.2 Sunday School Report – No report.
- 4.3 Choir Report – There was no report.
- 4.3 Administration Committee Report – This committee has not met.

Pastoral Care & Outreach

- 5.1 Pastoral Care Report – The Pastoral Care Committee continued regular activities to provide support to parishioners as follows: phone calls – 61, visits – 18, cards – 11.
- 5.2 St. Andrew's Ladies Group Report – The Ladies Group finished for the season on May 26th with their 25th Anniversary Celebration. A lovely lunch was enjoyed downstairs after the service. Several past members came out for this special day. Each member past and present were presented with a lapel pin during the service and a group picture was taken downstairs.
- 5.3 Outreach Report – The Breakfast Bucket realized \$119.69 at the Sunday School closing.

Stewardship

Clericus-Regional Council-Diocesan Synod or Office

- 7.1 Synod** – This Synod was one of the best! Rev Judie felt it was very energizing. The Bishop's charge was good and Bishop Fred's talks were great. Linda and Erica really enjoyed a presentation on the Diocese of Ottawa. The whole church faces some of the same issues as we are faced with.
The vote on holding raffles was carried first and then a priest asked for a vote by houses and it was defeated. Bishop Sue said in her charge that churches aren't dying they are changing.

Outstanding or New Business

- 8.1 Toner** – was included in Business Arising.
- 8.2 Parish Abuse Prevention and Response Plan** – This is coming down from the Diocese. The clergy all had to take a Risk Management session. There will be training for all lay people including Sunday School Teachers, Wardens and Parish Council as a whole. Police checks and the Child Abuse Registry will be mandatory for all teachers. New documents will be sent to the parishes in June and each parish will be given a year to get this completed.
- 8.3 Parish Visitation Workshop with the Bishop and Tanya** – This will be a Regional event. It will be held either 2 evenings or a Saturday from 9 – 3. Rev Mike will check with Bishop Sue for a date.
- 8.4 Rev Mike's Resignation** – Rev Mike has resigned from our parish effective December 31, 2013. He will use his remaining vacation in December and will arrange for coverage for the services of Advent and Christmas. Bishop Sue will appoint a Priest-in-Charge beginning January 1, 2014.
We will be hearing from the Archdeacon to set up a Parochial Committee. Jean and Linda will receive Parochial Forms and a congregational meeting will need to be held.

Adjournment & Closing Prayer

Myril moved adjournment and we closed with the Grace at 8:20 pm.

The next meeting of Parish Council will be held on **September 12, 2013 at 7 pm.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Wendy Wells
Secretary.