

COUNCIL MINUTES FROM MAY 10, 2012

Present: Rev. Mike, Rev. Judy, Rick O, Bev H., Linda, Myril, Erica, Jean, Bev P, and Raymond.

Regrets: Rick M., Angela, Joanne, Wendy

Rev. Mike opened the meeting with prayer at 7:00 p.m.

Doug Gillett attended the meeting and gave a presentation on the status of St. Luke's. Council had approved the services of a surveyor (to determine what could be built on the land) at a cost of \$2300.00. This has been concluded at a cost of \$1815.56. The study has shown that there is no approval for an apartment building. What may be built there could possibly be Townhouses (does not seem viable because of the many that will be constructed at Brunello Estates). The most viable seems to be semi-detached homes. The land meets the standards, i.e. set backs, land around the buildings and highway access. It would be able to accommodate 4 buildings (8 units). This will be subject to rezoning and other HRM criteria. This appears to be the way to go, although it is still a long way from reality. There are still a couple of leads to follow up with the surveyor. Doug will also chat with Bob Angus for ideas and also speak with the Builder across the street from St. Luke's. Doug stated that he has headed this project for the past three and a half years, if anyone would like to take over, he would step down, other than that, he will continue on. It will take time. We need patience. Rev. Mike spoke on things that need to be done. We continue to market and follow leads. He expressed satisfaction with Doug's work to date. Doug does not see the need to spend any more funds at this time. Thanks were extended to Doug for all the work he has done.

1. The motion to accept the agenda was made by Bev P. and seconded by Rev. Judy. Motion carried.
2. The approval of the minutes of April 12th meeting was motioned by Bev H. and seconded by Linda. Motion carried.
3. Ongoing business-Rev. Mike asked about the cheque for the Clergy conference. Bev H. gave it to him and he will deliver it.

A green stole has been purchased as an Ordination gift for Marilyn. It will be presented at our service on June 17/12.

2. COUNCIL MINISTRIES REPORTS

- 2.1. Communication-No correspondence
- 2.2. Rectors Report-As circulated

2.3. Wardens Report-Regular meetings were held with various committees and with Rev. Mike. Assisted with the Beaver funeral on May 9th. Progress was made on the parish org chart and parish structure with the assistance of Tim Dellapinna.

3. FOLLOWING COMMITTEES

3.1. Treasurer's Report-As circulated. Positive variance for April. Includes \$8300, intended for Renovation Fund. Bev H. commented that it is really nice to see Positive numbers. The door to the Fellowship Room has been completed. Raymond inquired if we could get a lower cost for fuel. Rev Mike will check into the Diocese rate.

3.2. Ways and Means- Linda has following funds to put in on Sunday

\$500.00 from the Ladies Group

\$274.00 from the Sunday school Soup Lunch

\$167.00 from the Country Show

Nicole will head up a Pie Sale in the fall.

3.3. Property Committee Report- No meeting-no report

4. SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT

4.1. Spiritual Development Report-Rev. Judy wondered if the congregation enjoyed the music presented by the group "Blended Harmony". All agreed that it was enjoyable. On May 27th our organist will be Pat Corey with a gentleman friend doing vocals.

4.2. Sunday School Report- No report.

4.3. Choir Report-Read by Rev. Mike. April was a busy month for them. Tim Edwards accompanied the organ and choir on Easter Sunday as well as the Titanic Memorial Service. On April 29th the service was led by the youth of our parish, and the music during administration of Communion was played by Maya Wile. Rev. Judy inquired if we were familiar with Liturgical dancing. It could be something to look into at some point.

4.4. Administration Report-No report.

5. PASTORAL CARE AND OUTREACH

5.1. Pastoral Care Report-Rev. Mike read the Pastoral Care Report from Connie Hudson. During April the Pastoral Care Committee continued their regular activities to provide support to parishioners in the following ways: 38 phone calls, 23 visits and 9 cards sent.

5.2. Ladies Group Report- Rev. Mike read this report. On May 3rd the group made Floss MacFarlane an Honorary Life Member and presented her with a certificate of recognition from the Diocesan ACW. They made over \$1100.00 at the yard sale. The motion made at their April meeting regarding funeral lunches for members' spouses and minor children was rescinded. They had (as of May 3rd) \$1863.37 in the bank. A donation of \$500.00 has been given to the church bringing the total to \$2100.00 this year. A vacuum has been purchased for the church.

Thayne was reimbursed the cost of the pew markers. The closing dinner will be held at Brewdebakers on June 7th. The Ladies have been invited to join the men at their closing breakfast on May 26th.

5.3. Outreach Report- No report. Men's breakfast numbers are down.

6. STEWARDSHIP-Nothing to report.

7. CLERICUS-REGIONAL COUNCIL-DIOCESAN SYNOD OR OFFICE

7.1. Clericus Report-Rev. Mike read this report. They met on April 22nd. Lay Readers Training will be the last week in September. A Pastoral Care Training to be held the last week in May. The National Church is looking to combine the Diocesan of Fredericton with our Diocese of NS and PEI. Also NL would combine their 3 Dioceses into one with one Bishop. The deficit budget in the Diocese was discussed. The Health Care Package for Priests is being looked at as to cost. They will meet again in October.

8. OUTSTANDING OR NEW BUSINESS

8.1. Parish Structure-The Parish Structure chart was discussed. Some changes were made that Rick O. will forward to Tim Dellapinna for Action.

8.2. St. Luke's update-This was done at the beginning of the meeting.

8.3. Youth Ministry-Rev. Mike would like to request that some of our youth be licensed as Eucharistic Ministers. A request to have the following licensed will be made: Blake Travis, Lindsay Scovil, David Scott and Leela Schwartz, moved by Linda and seconded by Myril. Motion carried.

8.4. Music while Edith is on vacation-Rev. Judy has this covered for the most part. Raymond Scott asked if we could look into the possibility of a Junior choir to sing at special services. Rev. Judy will also check to see if the grade 4-5 choir from BLT will be available to perform at a service.

8.5. After some discussion, it was decided that Ladies Group control of funds will stay as is. It

is understood that any major purchases will be brought to Council before being actioned.

8.6. Funeral Fees-This has been ratified and reversed by Ladies Group.

8.7. Rev. Mike has informed us that he would like to take sabbatical leave in January and February of 2013. The theme is New Dreams-New Visions. (Part time Ministry/Lay People). He has not yet applied for funding. Council will give blessing for this endeavor.

8.8. Audit report and recommendations to Finance committee. Rev. Mike has passed this to Bev H. for her perusal.

8.9. Confirmation classes will begin early in fall. Will be in the bulletin soon.

8.10. Corned beef supper is on track. Will be in bulletin in June. Ticket will be presold.

8.11. Bev H. is going on vacation for 3 weeks and needs someone to fill in. We will ask Keith to do this and if he cannot, Linda will.

8.12. Prayer Request Book-We have decided to replace this with a Guest Book. Rev. Judy will purchase it.

8.13. Birthday cans-These will be handed out on Welcome Back Sunday and returned on Advent Sunday.

8.14. Sunday School Closing-Tentatively set for May 27th. Rev. Mike will meet with the teachers this Sunday the 13th to discuss. It was agreed that the Graves Island idea was problematic, so is not recommended by Council.

Myril moved the meeting adjourn at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Jean Schwartz, (on behalf of Angela)