

Parish of St. Andrew's Timberlea
Council Minutes from Nov. 18th 2010 Meeting

Present: Jo-Anne Rector, Nicole Chenell, Keith Fraser, Doug Gillett, Angela Miller, Don Schwartz, Ginny Giza, Lloyd Miller, Rev. Mike Conrad, Linda Strachan, Rev. Judie Lafford, Joanne Hanley

Regrets: None received.

- Renee welcomed everyone and Rev. Mike opened with prayer at 7:05pm.
- Ginny moved the agenda be approved as written, seconded by Don. Motion Carried.
- Ginny moved the minutes from the Oct. 14th 2010 meeting be approved as circulated, seconded by Don. Motion Carried.

Ongoing Business (Business arising from the minutes):

-Rev. Mike spoke about the letter from the bishop regarding same sex blessing. The Region of Fort Sackville will be hosting Canon Eric Beresford on Dec. 5th at 7pm here at St. Andrew's, president of the Atlantic School of Theology, he will present discussions that have taken place in the Church on the subject of human sexuality particularly same sex relationships. This is open to all parishioners.

-Linda asked about the TOPS group that had requested to use our hall for their weekly meetings. At this time they are just registering new members and they hope to get at least eight members registered if not they will not require the use of the hall.

Finance Report: The committee met last week with a review of the income and expense statements and rectory fund. A thank you letter will be sent out with each tax receipt this year. They also discussed a Legacy or "rainy" day fund. In the past 2yrs a total of \$50,000 has been paid out in renovations.

Action Committee: They met this morning. A lot has been done in the past year and they will continue to meet on a quarterly basis, they would like to see our Mission/Vision statement laminated and placed in the church.

Soup Kitchen: No report

Communications/Correspondence: None

Rectors Report: Rev. Mike reported that we have had a lot of new faces/families join the church. There are 14 candidates' registers for Confirmation classes and 2 more are going to register.

Wardens Report: As circulated. Lloyd thanked Ginny and Don for their years of service on Parish Council.

Council Ministries and Reports:

Treasurers Report: Keith moved the adoption of the general, memorial, cemetery and rectory funds as circulated, seconded by Ginny. Motion Carried.

-Keith moved the adoption of the statement for cheques written to signing officers, seconded by Ginny. Motion Carried.

Ways and Means Report: The turkey supper was a huge success. We raised a total of \$2040.00, sold out of potatoes and turkey. Thank you to everyone. We currently have 152 pies ordered. It was moved by Don and seconded by Doug that Jo-Anne order an extra case of the 3 most popular pies. Motion Carried. Lloyd currently has the propane tanks stored

at his place and will keep them there until needed. Nicole read a letter of her resignation from Co-Chair of the Ways and Means Committee effective Jan. 01, 2011; she will remain on the committee as regular member.

Property and Cemetery Report: As circulated. Don will contact Ken Richardson to confirm that Carmen Josey will plow the parking lot again this year.

Spiritual Development:

Spiritual Development Report: The last Sunday of every month we will hold a coffee hour at the back of the church. Rev. Judie asked if a small collapsible table could be purchased so that a table from downstairs did not have to be brought up for this event. It was mentioned that some of the congregation found the coffee pots distracting during the service, it was decided that the coffee pots would be placed in another area. Jan 23rd we will hold a Gospel hour with other churches. A potluck is scheduled for Jan. 9th.

Sunday School Report: The Sunday School children are busy getting ready for Christmas. We are going to have a puppet show for the Christmas Eve family service as well as a pageant downstairs on Dec. 19th. We are planning to make advent wreaths to take home this week.

Choir Report: Rev. Mike read report from Edith.

Pastoral Care Report: Rev. Mike read report from Connie Hudson, activities for the month of October are as follows: Phone calls: 26 Visits: 18 Cards sent: 5. Doug stated that this is a tremendous ministry, thank you to those who serve on the Pastoral Care committee.

Ladies Group Report: Angela reported that their Christmas potluck is Dec. 17th and they will be decorating the church that morning. Jan 23rd the sleigh ride is scheduled. On Dec. 4th the boxes for Mission to Seafarers will be done up.

Outreach Report: Renee reported that they are getting ready for the Christmas wish list for Phoenix House, Dec. 12th is the deadline.

Stewardship: None

Clericus-Regional Council: They meet every month and in October they met at St. Andrew's.

New/Special Business: Don moved we continue with our \$250.00 donation for Feed Nova Scotia, seconded by Doug. Motion Carried.

Signage: Angela spoke about placing signs around the church for plastic water bottle free zone; this will be deferred until after Christmas.

-Rev. Mike spoke on behalf of Jo-Anne; the school is starting a program that will supply breakfast for children at school. This will be a monetary donation to the school. Jo-Anne will contact Marilyn, as this is outreach into the schools.

Outstanding Items: Sale of St. Luke's - We currently have an offer, this is our second offer. The purchase offer is \$10,000 per residential unit with a minimum purchase of \$200,000.00 and a maximum of \$400,000.00 with a deposit of \$5,000.00 It was moved by Doug that we accept the second offer, seconded by Don. Motion Carried.

Our next council meeting will be Dec. 9th at 7pm.

Keith moved adjournment at 8:45pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nicole Chenell
Secretary