

**ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH
PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES
NOVEMBER 12, 2009**

Present: Joanne Rector, Lloyd Miller, Rev. Judie Lafford, Don Schwartz, Rick Morash, Doug Gillett, Jinny Giza, Rev. Mike Conrad, Linda Strachan, Wendy Wells, Keith Fraser, Glen LaFosse

Regrets: Tom Richardson, Marilyn Hamlin and Nicole Chenell

It was moved by Keith Fraser and seconded by Joanne Rector that Wendy Wells record the minutes of this meeting. Motion carried.

Don Schwartz moved and Rev Judie Lafford seconded that the agenda be accepted as circulated. Motion carried.

Rick Morash moved and Don Schwartz seconded that the minutes of the previous meeting be accepted as circulated.

Business Arising

Property – The entrance to the hall has been painted on the outside. Doug Gillett thanked Keith for doing this job and he also commented that Keith had cleaned up the furnace room. Linda Strachan also thanked him for this work.

Sale of St. Luke's – Doug introduced Andrew Cranmer, an agent with CBRichardEllis, who is looking after the sale of St. Luke's property. Mr. Cranmer is marketing the property to a list of people. He explained that the original offer had fallen through because of unusual circumstances.

He has nothing firm yet and he said that land can be very slow to sell especially during hard economic times. Keith asked about the independent appraisal that we had of \$400,000. Mr. Cranmer felt that the appraisal was a bit high. He said there are questions around the zoning because you can no longer rezone property to R-4.

He explained that a developer would probably not rezone. A developer would get a developer agreement as this is an easier approach. Mr. Cranmer said that \$400,000 is currently the asking price and he doesn't feel the zoning issue will have an impact on this.

The price the property is sold for will depend on what a developer wants to build. Doug felt we are probably looking at up to a year to sell it. Mr. Cranmer said his next step will be to approach local developers.

Following Committees

Soup Kitchen – Our next time at the soup kitchen is on December 5th. Lloyd Miller is waiting to hear from Karen.

Correspondence – There is none.

Rector's Report – A written report was passed around. Ginny Giza asked about the committal. Rev. Mike said it was a graveside committal. Rev. Mike has one week of vacation left and would like to carry this over into 2010.

He mentioned the Visioning Committee met 3 times and something will be put together and presented at the Annual Meeting. Rev. Mike highly recommended the Pre-Advent Workshop to all council members.

Wardens' Report – Linda Strachan said that she and Lloyd Miller have been involved with the Visioning. They have been meeting weekly. Linda mentioned that the key situation is working better. The school has not received a key to the hall yet.

Council Ministries Reports

Administration and Finance – No report.

Treasurer's Report – Keith Fraser moved and Jinny Giza seconded that St. Andrew's Financial Report be adopted as circulated. Motion carried. Joanne Rector questioned the amount spent on fuel. Keith mentioned that the kitchen fund is coming along.

Ways and Means – The Turkey Supper will be held on November 14th and this will be their last event for the year. The Committee is looking for a new Chairperson and one new member. The current members are Tom Richardson, Darlene Martell, Nicole Chenell and Linda Strachan. Both Tom and Linda are leaving this committee at the end of the year.

Doug Gillett suggested that if no one comes forward that members of council could plan the events. Glen LaFosse volunteered to chair this committee with help from Joanne Rector.

Property Report and Cemetery – Snowplowing this winter will be done by Carmen Josey. He charges \$50 per hour. He doesn't use salt or sand. Brian Lynch has been asked to do the salting and sanding.

The hall will have gyroc put over the rest of the concrete next year and it will be painted at that time. The paneling will be left as is. The porch won't be done as there is still a leak out there. Ken Richardson will add a few more plugs in the kitchen.

An outer building for the church to house the gas, lawn mowers, garbage, etc. has been discussed. Keith Fraser received a quote of \$14,000 from Ocean to put up a concrete wall structure. This will need to go back to the property committee first and other quotes would need to be looked at.

Hand sanitizers for the church and hall were discussed. Rick Morash had looked at some prices and Jamie Wile had also gotten some which he sent to Lloyd Miller. It is \$30 to purchase a unit with a bag. The refills cost \$34.99 for 1.2 liters of foam or \$16.99 for the gel. A sensor dispenser would cost \$18.92. Lloyd Miller felt we should have these in place. We would need one for the hall and two for the church. Joanne Rector asked why we are still shaking hands during the peace when the Catholic Church has done away with this custom.

Judie Lafford moved that council buy 3 hand sanitizer dispensers, 2 with stands, for a cost of up to \$400. Don Schwartz seconded. This motion was carried. Rick Morash volunteered to purchase these with help from Lloyd Miller.

Doug Gillett stood up and addressed council on the issue of a *church sign*. He said that we need to move forward on this. Lloyd Miller said he agreed that something has to be done. Glen LaFosse said that he had thought someone had donated money for this purpose but Rick Morash said it hasn't been given yet. Doug said there is \$200,000 and we should take \$10,000 of this money and put up a new sign.

Rick Morash had had a quote for a sign of \$6500. The cost would be \$10,000 if the company did all the work. Rick Morash offered to get three quotes and go with the best one. Rev. Mike thought that Jamie Wile had gotten a quote.

Rick Morash moved that we authorize an amount of up to \$10,000 to purchase and install a sign. Rick will get three quotes and bring these back to the next council meeting. Jinny Giza seconded this motion. Motion carried.

Spiritual Development

Spiritual Development Report – Linda read both October and November's reports to council members. Highlights from both of these reports are as follows: Quilt show held in September raised approximately \$400; Prayer book service was held September 20th using the service from 1919 with parishioners dressed in period attire and two antique cars parked in our lot; Scotiannaires were special guests on October 18; final 90th anniversary event will be on November 30th; Halloween Potluck was held on October 30th; Eucharist and Levee will be held on New Year's Day. Edith Steffens gave notice that she will be resigning as chair of this committee on December 31, 2009.

The 90th Anniversary Service will be held on Monday, November 30th. Refreshments will be served after the service. Former Rectors and the Bishop or the Suffragan will be invited. Tim Edwards will accompany the organ on his flute.

Ginny Giza asked about the Photo Directory that had been discussed a while back. Judie Lafford said she will call the person again as he was supposed to call her on November 2nd and she never heard from him.

Sunday School – No report.

Choir – The organist and 2 choir members attended the workshop held at the Cathedral for the music for the 2010 service.

Pastoral Care and Outreach

Pastoral Care Report – Linda Strachan read this committee's report submitted by Connie Hudson. During October the committee placed 32 phone calls, did 9 visits and sent 6 cards.

St. Andrew's Ladies Group – The Ladies Group met on November 4th. A memorial hymn book was purchased in memory of a member's deceased husband. \$865.01 was raised at our Yard Sale. The calendars have all been sold. We will be giving \$800 to the church as part of our commitment and \$500 to the kitchen fund. We will be packing the shoeboxes for the Mission to Seafarers on December 5th. We will decorate the church for Christmas on December 20th after the service. A pre-lit tree has been donated to the church by Don and Jean Schwartz. Our Christmas Party will be held on December 17th at 6:30 p.m. We donated \$25 to the Ways and Means Committee for a turkey. We will be providing the lunch for the service on November 30th. Our next meeting will be on January 7, 2010.

Outreach – No report

New Business

Worship Committee – The Shepherding Program used during Rev. Ron Walker's term will be resurrected. We will be looking for shepherds for this committee.

Regional Council – The Regional Council will meet at 7:30 p.m. at St. Nicholas Church in Tantallon with special guest, Bishop Sue Moxley.

Year End Reports – Linda Strachan reminded everyone to start thinking about their annual reports.

The Staff Position will be added to the Outstanding Items. Rev. Mike thought he might have someone for the Envelope Secretary position.

Joanne Rector volunteered to do some typing at home.

Don Schwartz moved adjournment at 8:30 p.m.

The meeting closed with the Grace.

The next meeting of council will be held on December 10, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy Wells
Acting Secretary for
Nicole Chenell

OUTSTANDING ITEMS

Signboard
Sale of St. Luke's
Paid Staff Position