Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held Sunday, October 14, 2012

Present-Angela, R ick M. Wendy, Erica, Rick O. Myril, Bev P. Raymond, Jean, Bev H. Rev. Mike

Regrets-Joanne H., Rev. Marilyn, Rev. Judie, Linda,

The meeting began at 12:10 pm, with opening prayer led by Rev. Mike

Approval of agenda-Jean moved the approval of the agenda, seconded by Myril. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes- Erica moved the approval of the September 13th Council meeting minutes and the September 16th St. Luke's short meeting minutes, seconded by Bev H. Motion carried.

2. COUNCIL MINISTRIES REPORTS:

2.1 Communications-Correspondence-no correspondence. TIM (Together in Mission), fund raising campaign deferred to next meeting.

2.2 Rectors Report-Attendance is down. It is necessary to take every opportunity to connect with parishioners and their children i.e. confirmation.

2.3 Wardens Report-Refer to-Under new business.

3. FOLLOWING COMMITTEES:

3.1 Treasurer's Report-As circulated. Bev H. reported that there were a lot of expenses due to many recent renovations. Hopes are high that we will be able to reverse this debt by the end of the year.

3.2 Ways and Means Report-Corned beef and cabbage supper was a great success. Pies are selling well. They are currently preparing for the up and coming Turkey supper and Craft show.

3.3 Property Report and Cemetery-As circulated, no current news.

4. SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT REPORT:

4.1 Spiritual Development Report-Many preparations are underway for the Memorial hymn sing on Nov. 2.

4.2 Sunday School Report-Wendy is concerned in regards to the Sunday school because they were told they couldn't spend money on craft supplies. It is suggested that Heather give council a report and speak to council in regards to her needs and concerns with the Sunday

school budget.

4.3 Choir Report- No report

4.4 Administration Committee Report: No report

5. PASTORAL CARE & OUTREACH:

5.1 Pastoral Care Report-Thank you, Connie Hudson, for submitting the Pastoral Care report as follows: They continued the regular activities to provide support to parishioners during September as follows: phone calls-42, visits-32, cards-8. Many of the visits included delivery of the Thanksgiving letter.

5.2 St. Andrew's Ladies Group Report- Wendy reported that they made a profit of \$393.27 on their sauerkraut supper. They ordered calendars to sell again this year. They are currently collecting for the Mission to Seafarers (the collection box is at the back of the church). The local Brownie group is interested in learning about and collecting for, the Mission to Seafarers. Wendy brought up a concern the Ladies Group is having about the fees for funerals. People need to be made more aware of our set fees. Rev. Mike will take care of making sure that all people requesting funerals are given the proper information regarding fees, after funeral lunches, etc.

5.3 Outreach Report-Rev. Mike needs to meet with Lorraine. Our most recent Outreach activity has been to collect and donate non-perishables to the local food bank. This event took place Thanksgiving Sunday, with the Sunday school children carrying the donated items to the front of the church.

6. <u>STEWARDSHIP:</u>

7. CLERICUS-REGIONAL COUNCIL-DIOCESAN SYNOD OR OFFICE:

7.1 New or Special Business-The next Regional Council Meeting will take place this Thursday, October18th.

8. OUTSTANDING OR NEW BUSINESS:

8.1 Parish structure and org chart updates-Finalized! Thank you, Bev H. for the wonderful job. The current question is where to hang it? It was decided to hang it over piano in basement.

8.2 Holy Manners update-Rick O. will send the information to council members.

8.3 St. Luke's update-There has been two offers to purchase St. Luke's. One offer of \$268,000 is from another church with lots of conditions attached. The other offer of \$210,000 is a clean

offer. No new information at this time. No offer pending. Rick M. motioned if these 2 offers fall through, we should raise the minimum price to \$240,000, Wendy seconded. Motioned carried.

8.4 The local Farm Market donated \$50.00 towards the purchase of vegetables for our recent Corned Beef supper. Wendy offered to make a certificate, thanking them for their donation. Everyone felt it was a wonderful idea.

8.5 Need for a Ways and Means Committee-Jean feels we need a more stable committee. A Chair person is needed for each fund raisers. We currently require a volunteer to head up the pancake supper.

8.6 Option to hold all future council meetings after a church service verses Thursdays: After a brief discussion a compromise was suggested by Wendy. Her motion was to hold meetings from Dec to March on Sundays after church, and Thursday evenings during the rest of the year. Seconded by Jean. Motion carried.

8.7 Desirability of lowering the bottom offer on St. Luke's to \$210,000 to accommodate an existing offer (from \$225,000).-Refer to above 8.3.

8.8 Scent free-Rick M. was approached by a couple of parishioners with concerns regarding the use of scents in the church. It was agreed that a notice should be put in the bulletin stating that St. Andrew's is a scent free building.

8.9 Wendy feels we should order extra bulletin covers to prevent running out. It was agreed to order 400 Christmas bulletin covers. Motion carried.

8.10 Gifts for children to go shopping-Rev. Marilyn will be asked to liaise with BLT as to having notice sent home with the students to advertise this event. This sale will be held Saturday, December 15th, 10am-12pm. A notice will be put in the bulletin for donations of re-giftable items.

9. ADJOURNMENT & CLOSING PRAYER:

1:35 p.m. Wendy called for adjournment, Myril seconded.

Next council meeting-Thursday November 8th, 2012.

Respectfully Submitted,

Angela, secretary