

PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

October 16, 2014

Present: Rick Morash, Rev Judie Lafford, Anne Fraser, Anne Dauphinee, Rev Marilyn Hamlin, Helen Clattenburg, Myril Wells, Rev Mark Pretty, Linda Strachan, Bev Higgins, Wendy Wells

Regrets: Rick and Erica Orlando, Jinny Giza, Bev Pattison

The meeting opened with prayer at 7:00 pm led by Rev Mark.

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1.4 Rick Morash moved and Helen Clattenburg seconded that the agenda be accepted. Carried.

1.5 Rick Morash moved and Myril Wells seconded the approval of the minutes with amendments. All motions made at the previous meeting were accepted and the amount of \$350 for the steps which was over the budgeted amount was also accepted.

The amendments: Under 3.2 – A temporary replacement organist will not receive more than a regular organist. Under 8.1 – The decision was made that the executive would make the final decision on the photo copier. Carried.

1.6 Ongoing Business – none

Council Ministries Reports

2.1 Communications – None

2.2 Rector's Report – The newsletter produced by Rev Mark only make it to half of the email addresses. The rest bounced back. Hard copies have been placed at the back of the church. December 13th is the Shopping Day for Kids. It will be held from 9-12 noon. Rev Judie and Rev Mark will start a server's training. Rev Judie will make contact every week with the servers. There are 9 servers and 5 people signed up for confirmation.

Rev. Mark has ordered the "Whole People of God" curriculum for the Sunday School. There are teacher's guides, crafts, stories, etc. in this.

St. Luke's Sunday is this coming Sunday. There will be 'Laying on of Hands' during the service Rev Judie asked Anne D to mention this service to all past members of St. Luke's.

2.2 Warden's Report – They attended the Country Kitchen Party held on September 28th. \$285.10 was raised plus there was a \$40 donation which brought the total to \$325.10.

They met with Rev Judie and Rev Mark and worked on Open Church Sunday. A letter was read at both services on October 5th in regards to Rev. Judie's retirement.

Following Committees

- 3.1 Treasurer's Report – There is now a deficit of -\$12,890.19. A \$10,000 GIC was cashed in. The bank also cashed in two \$5000 ones last month. Most of our expenses are fixed. Rev Mark suggested we might have to ask for a break from the allotment until we can get back on our feet. Bev Higgins moved and Rev Judie seconded the approval of this report. Carried.
- 3.2 Finance Report – no report.
- 3.3 Ways and Means Report - The Turkey Supper was discussed. Some felt turkeys should have been purchased when on sale for Thanksgiving. Wendy will look into getting the best price she can on turkeys. She will have the sign-up posters up this coming Sunday and Rev Mark promised to push it every Sunday.
- 3.4 Property Report and Cemetery - There was no formal report. There will be a clean up and fixing of head stones this Saturday.

Spiritual Development

- 4.1 Spiritual Development Report – The Open Church Sunday was held. St. Luke's Service will be held on October 18th. There will be a Halloween Pot Luck and Dance held on October 24th. The Memorial Hymn Sing will be on November 3rd. On November 9th will we have a Remembrance Day Service. Rev Judie has invited Veterans, Scouts, Brownies, the MacDonald Legion, and Cadets. Tim Horton's will provide coffee and donuts for after the service. On November 27th an Advent Study called "The Lord is our Light" will begin at 2 pm. December 18th a "Blue Christmas" service will be held. The Memorial Angels will start on the first Sunday of Advent, November 30th, The Feast of St. Andrew.
- 4.2 Sunday School Report – There are 12 children registered so far this year.
- 4.3 Choir Report – The choir is learning some Gospel Acclamations.
- 4.4 Administration Committee Report – This committee has not set a meeting date yet.

Pastoral Care & Outreach

- 5.1 Pastoral Care Report – No report.
- 5.2 St. Andrew's Ladies Group Report – We met on October 2nd. Our Yard Sale raised \$461.10, which was down from other years. We are having a speaker from the Alzheimer's Society at our November meeting. This will be open to the

congregation and anyone else who might like to come. We gave a memorial donation in memory of Rev Ron Walker to the Memorial Plaque. Our calendars are selling fast. We gave a \$50 donation towards turkeys for the Turkey Supper. We are collecting for the Mission to Seafarers again and will pack the shoeboxes on December 6th at 9 am in the church.

Our Christmas party will be held on December 5th. Special guests will be invited. It will be in the form of a pot luck and we will donate the money we would have spent on a gift for our Prayer Partner to a needy family. Our 2nd Annual Tree Lighting and Carol Sing will be held on December 14th at 6:30 pm. We will purchase two more sets of lights. We will donate \$100 to the Marguerite Center in early December. We have given the church \$600 to honour our commitment. We will decorate the Church for Christmas after the service on December 21st.

- 5.3 Outreach Report** – \$128.50 was raised for the BLT Breakfast Program. We received a card from the school signed by some of the children. Linda delivered the food that was collected on Thanksgiving Sunday. Phoenix House will be part of the Christmas outreach.

Stewardship

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- 7.1 No report.** Rev Mark will meet with the other ministers in the community on Oct 28th. This will include the Anglican, United and two Baptist churches.

Outstanding or New Business

- 8.1 Hall Rental** – Rick Morash said Patrick Murray of the Song Writer's Circle will be renting our hall on December 6th from 2 – 4 pm. Admission will be \$10.00 and we will receive 10 % of the door proceeds.
A Coupon Lady will rent the hall on November 15th. It will cost \$50 for 3 hours plus \$15 for each additional hour. Admission will be \$10 each and we will receive the hourly rate or 10% from the proceeds of the door, whichever is greater.
- 8.2 FunScrip**- These are the gift cards we have been talking about since the spring. The business wants to debit our account for the cost but Bev H says it cannot be done because our account has been 'grandfathered'. We will receive 2% to 10% depending on the card. They do have some specials. From October 31 to November 27 we will receive 2.5 % from Petro Can. It takes about one week to get the cards back once the order is placed. We will be starting this soon. It was agreed that we go ahead with this fund raiser.
- 8.3 Safe-r-church** – Rick M emailed each committee for a report on their activities. Bev H has had a police check done. The Sunday School Teachers have all completed their checks and these on in the safe. All clergy have their records at the Diocese.

The fee is \$50 to have these checks done. Linda will write a letter for Shawn Rideout. We need a new hall rental form. Rick will construct one.

Adjournment & Closing Prayer

Rev Judie moved adjournment and we closed with the Grace at 8:28 pm.

The next meeting of Parish Council will be held on **November 20, 2014 at 7 pm.**

Respectfully Submitted

Wendy Wells
Secretary.