

PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

September 12, 2013

Present: Wendy Wells, Rev. Mike Conrad, Rev. Judie Lafford, Rev. Marilyn Hamlin, Helen Clattenburg, Myril Wells, Jean Schwartz, Bev Higgins, Linda Strachan, Raymond Scott, Erica Orlando.

Regrets: Rick Morash, Bev Pattison

The meeting opened with prayer at 7:05 pm led by Rev. Mike.

Parish of St. Andrews

1.4 Rev Judie moved and Bev Higgins seconded the approval of the Agenda as circulated. Carried.

1.5 Myril Wells moved and Rev Marilyn Hamlin seconded the approval of the minutes as circulated with the following correction. 2.1 – Bishop Sue’s retirement date should be 2014. Carried.

1.6 Ongoing Business

Parish Visiting Workshop – Rev Mike has not heard back from Bishop Sue in regards to the Parish Visiting Workshop with her and her daughter Tanya. Rev Mike feels it should be held as a regional event. He meets with clericus tomorrow and will bring this up there.

Council Ministries Reports

2.1 Communications – There were no communications.

2.2 Rector’s Report – Rev Mike said it was a slow summer and that numbers were down. We need to work on getting more people out to church. Most people have busy lives. Hopefully Welcome Back Sunday will bring more people. This seems to be an ongoing trend everywhere. Rev. Mike says he is excited about the fall and the upcoming programs.

2.3 Warden’s Report – The Wardens attended a parish meeting chaired by Archdeacon Mark Kingsbury to form a Parochial Committee. They met with the rest of the committee three times to complete the Parish Profile. The Wardens called a meeting of Parish Council to present the Parish Profile to the members and have it approved. Archdeacon Mark chaired this meeting. They met with Rev Mike and Rev Judie to discuss and plan Welcome Back Weekend.

Following Committees

- 3.1 Treasurer's Report** – Bev Higgins said the YTD is better overall than this time last year. Bev H. moved and Raymond seconded the acceptance of this report. The amount of \$4800 plus HST was the cost of the front entry. This has all been paid for. Motion carried. The cost of fuel was discussed. It was decided that this should go to the Property Committee to have them look at different places. Rev Mike will check out the Diocesan plan with Irving.
- 3.2 Ways and Means Report** – There will be a Ham and Scallop Potatoes and Baked Bean Supper held on October 19th. Apple Crisp will be served for dessert. Adults will be \$10, children 5-12 will be \$5 and under 5 are free. The Annual Crafter's Market will be held on November 23rd. Our Annual Turkey Supper will be held on November 30th.
- 3.3 Property Report and Cemetery** – Keith sent a written report. The major project for the year was the upgrading of the front entryway. All four walls in the hall were painted. Jamie Wile repaired the floor in the hall. Ian Rector built a wheel chair ramp in the basement donating all supplies and labour. The chimney flues were inspected and all is clear. The church propane tanks for barbecuing have expired and cannot be refilled. There is a mat on order for the front entryway.

Spiritual Development

- 4.1 Spiritual Development Report** – The Spiritual Development Committee has not met. The Sunday School registration will take place this Sunday. We have Welcome Back Sunday coming up and Christmas Memorial Angels will be sold again this year. They will be different than last year's.
- 4.2 Sunday School Report** – No report.
- 4.3 Choir Report** – There was no report.
- 4.3 Administration Committee Report** – This committee has not met. Brenda Morash helped with getting the newsletters out. She also completed a new Parish List. Rev. Judie wanted to know how many Thanksgiving envelopes, bulletin covers and letterhead to purchase. It was suggested she should purchase 200 of each.

Pastoral Care & Outreach

- 5.1 Pastoral Care Report** – The Pastoral Care Committee continued their regular activities over the summer months. 78 phone calls were made from the prayer lists and they kept in touch with those at home by phone or visits. Visits were also continued at nursing homes and hospitals. Communion was given at homes and nursing homes with Rev Marilyn participating. The usual cards were sent out to parishioners.
- 5.2 St. Andrew's Ladies Group Report** – St. Andrew's Ladies Group met last week.

We have a Yard Sale coming up on October 5th. We welcomed a new member to our group. We will be selling calendars again this year. We will make a donation to the Marguerite Centre before Christmas along with a box of chocolates. We had some information about a family in need and instead of purchasing gifts at Christmas for our prayer partners we will use the money we would have spent and buy a food gift certificate to help the family out.

- 5.3 Outreach Report** – There is no report. Rev Mike received a letter from Phoenix House which he will pass along to Lorraine. The people at Rev. Judie's Camping Trailer Park donated two boxes of groceries to the church which will be given to the local food bank.

Stewardship

Clericus-Regional Council-Diocesan Synod or Office

- 7.1 Clericus** – Clericus will meet tomorrow night with a barbeque at the Regional Dean's home.
Synod – Synod will meet on November 22nd to elect a Co-Adjutor Bishop.

Outstanding or New Business

- 8.1 Sunday School Registration** – Sunday School registration will take place this Sunday September 15th.
- 8.2 Parish Abuse Prevention and Response Plan** – Jean Schwartz called Cathy at the Diocesan Centre to find out about the material we were to receive. She was told the Packages were too big but they will be coming out within the next few weeks. The Sunday School teachers will have to get Police Checks right away. The parish will cover the cost for the teachers.
- 8.3 Children's Shopping Day** – This will be held on December 14th. We will invite Santa so the children can have their pictures taken with him. The Ladies Group might make some crafts for the sale.
- 8.4 Garbage Cans** – It was brought up at the Ladies Group meeting that the church could use some new garbage cans. This will be taken to Property.
- 8.5 Back to Church Sunday** – The young people will do the readings. It will be a Communion service with no sermon. The children will be downstairs for Sunday School classes. Jean will ask Anne Fraser to do Face Painting. There may be a bean bag washer toss game.
- 8.6 Church Envelopes** – Erica Orlando has found a place called MacLeans in Moncton where she can purchase the envelopes cheaper. She will look into this.

Adjournment & Closing Prayer

Linda moved adjournment and we closed with the Grace at 8:25 pm.

The next meeting of Parish Council will be held on **October 10, 2013 at 7 pm.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Wendy Wells
Secretary.