

Congregational Council Meeting
Holy Trinity Anglican Church
Tuesday, November 9, 2021 - 7:00 p.m.

Present: Rev. Allan Livingstone, Heather Smith, Karen Rapien, Jackie Martens, Bryan Smith, Carolynn Hodgins, Darlene Howald, Jackie Dix,

Regrets: Calvin Charbonneau, Clayton Charbonneau, Phyllis O'Neil, Terri Ellison, Liz Hodgins, Josh Marsden, Paul Marsden.

Call to Order:

Heather Smith called the meeting to order. Rev. Allan opened our meeting with a prayer.

Approval of Minutes:

Moved by Karen Rapien; Seconded by Darlene Howald

That the Minutes of the October 14, 2021 meeting be approved as amended. Carried.

Business Arising from the Minutes:

- **Medway High School** – Darlene was able to make contact with Lori Farquharson, Head Guidance Counsellor. Things are okay at the present time, however, she suggested that Walmart or Grocery gift cards would be helpful. Also, maybe assistance for Uber transportation.

Moved by Jackie Martens; Seconded by Heather Smith

That Darlene purchase 10 \$25.00 gift cards from Walmart. Carried.

- **Poinsettia Fundraiser:** Some orders came in this evening. Will collect again Saturday and at church on Sunday. Will send in order on Monday.

Correspondence:

- None

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer's report was reviewed as emailed.

Heather reported that a new contract had been signed with Cliff. Rev. Allan informed that a number of parishes have no music and 3 parishes have refusal to play if you have to be vaccinated.

Calvin hasn't received a payroll bill yet. They were late last month. They are transitioning a new payroll person.

Jackie D. inquired about switching our internet to Quadro. It is faster and about \$5.00 per month difference.

Moved by Karen Rapien; Seconded by Darlene Howald

That the Treasurer's report be accepted as distributed. Carried.

Committee Reports:

a) Property Report:

- Bryan continues to check the church, empty dehumidifiers, etc. daily.
- Property Committee will be working on the roof cables tomorrow morning.
- They will decorate the church on November 23 or 24.
- They have had requests to ring the bells every day at noon from Dec. 14 to 24 and play Christmas music from the bell tower. Also, it is nice to have the lights on in the church at night.

b) Warden's Report:

- Cliff's contract has been signed. Everyone is enjoying Cliff's piano playing.
- The wardens have Rev. Allan's paperwork signed.
- The wardens spoke to Archdeacon Tanya Phibbs concerning the search for a new priest. We are trying to recover from the pandemic. The process of acquiring a new priest is apparently very flexible. After much discussion they have a meeting with Archdeacon Kim VanAllen on November 25th.
- Being proactive, Karen & Heather have names for a committee so we are prepared. According to Canon 9 we need this. Suggested members to sit on the selection committee are:
 - Linda Smith – Past Warden, Alter Guild
 - Dave Goddard – Cemetery Bd./St. James
 - Karen Rapien – Warden/ACW
 - Heather Smith – Warden/Sunday School
 - Bryan Smith – Property
 - Gary Raymond – Choir

It was suggested they ask Calvin as Treasurer/Choir

Moved by Jackie Martens; Seconded by Jackie Dix

That this list of people be tentatively considered to form the Selection Committee. Carried.

- Think about a Vestry meeting after church January 23, 2022. The wardens asked if the current council members are willing to sit on the council next year. Also, we need 2 new deputy wardens. Vestry reports should be submitted by January 1, 2022.
- Addressed whether people want envelopes, direct deposit?

c) ACW Report:

- No report.

d) Sunday School Report:

- Sunday School are happy there is no Sunday School after the outbreak at Wilberforce Public School.

e) Rector's Report:

- Rev. Allan presented a pamphlet re: Advent, Christmas, Epiphany prayers.

f) Communication Update:

- Christmas card to go out mid-December.

g) Re-gathering Sub Committee:

- No report.

New Business:

- None

Upcoming Dates:

- Sun. Nov. 21, 2021 – HE – Reign of Christ and ACW Sunday
- Sun. Nov. 28, 2021 – MP - 1st Sunday of Advent, Blessing of the tree
- Sun. Dec. 5, 2021 – HE 2nd Sunday of Advent
- Sat. Dec. 11, 2021 – Fill the Steps – 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Sun. Dec.12, 2021 – MP 3rd Sunday of Advent
- Sun. Dec. 19, 2021 – HE 4th Sunday of Advent
- Fri. Dec. 24, 2021 – HE 4:30 pm Family Service
– HE 7:00 pm Candle Service
- Sun. Dec. 26, 2021 – MP Boxing Day

Next Meeting: Thursday, December 9, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Motion to Adjourn: Karen Rapien made the motion to adjourn.

The meeting closed with everyone reciting the grace.