

Congregational Council Meeting
Holy Trinity Anglican Church
Thursday, November 8, 2018 - 7:00 p.m.

Present: Rev. Matt Martin, Linda Smith, Shelley Reynolds, Phyllis O'Neil, Don O'Neil, Terri Ellison, Jackie Martens, Clayton Charbonneau, Calvin Charbonneau, Bryan Smith, Heather Smith, Amanda Jackman.

Regrets: Liz Hodgins

Moved by Heather Smith; Seconded by Phyllis O'Neil
That Council move In Camera.

Carried.

Council moved In Camera at 7:00 p.m.

That Council move out of In Camera at 7:15

Moved by Heather Smith; Seconded by Linda Smith
Let the minutes reflect that a Personnel Matter was discussed In Camera

Carried

Call to Order:

Rev. Matt Martin called the meeting to order. Phyllis read a poem in keeping with the season of Thanksgiving and the approaching Remembrance Day.

Approval of Minutes:

Moved by Heather Smith; Seconded by Clayton Charbonneau
That the Minutes of the October 11, 2018 meeting be approved as circulated. Carried.

Business Arising from the Minutes:

- Safe Church Police Checks: Heather reported everything is up to date
- Donations to Camp Wendake/other charities - We will be supporting Merrymount, Family Support and Crisis Centre through our Angel Tree and Ailsa Craig Food Bank with donations of food.
- New Directory - Amanda is using the CANVA software tool. Not as labour intensive as the previous program. Feels she is on track for the directory to be done before Christmas.
- Prince George - Heather contacted Prince George and they agreed that many groups come in December so it would be better for the church to visit in January or February. A hymn sing would probably be most appropriate.

Correspondence:

- Letter from Lucan Post Office asking parishioners not to park in their parking lot from November 18 until Christmas.

Treasurer's Report:

Calvin presented the Treasurers Report. Last year our Operating account balance was \$21,304.04 and the building fund had a balance of \$18,600.96

Moved by Phyllis O'Neil; Seconded by Bryan Smith
That the treasurer's report be approved as circulated.

Carried.

Committee Reports:

a) Property Report:

- Bryan still negotiating to obtain a Defibrillator.
- Storm windows are installed. Still have to install screens in them. Bryan would like to have him put ventilation in the other storm windows
- The property committee met with Savaria to inquire about having a lift installed in the church. Savaria had several suggestions but all require major structural changes.
- Bryan talked about replacing the concrete sidewalk from Frank Street to the kitchen door and also repair the sidewalk to the parish hall.
- Will have to wait until spring to paint the railing to the parish hall since the fall weather did not co-operate.

b) Wardens:

- Linda has received the tax receipts for both Beth and the cemetery.

c) ACW:

- Today the ACW had their final business meeting for this year.
- The profit for the turkey supper was \$4,983. Phyllis expressed the ACW's thanks to everyone who helped with the supper.
- Phyllis attended the Huron Perth Deanery meeting in Seaforth. The theme was All Creatures Great & Small. Unfortunately there were not a lot of people there since the church had gone to quite a bit of work to host the meeting.
- In regards to the Bale for Kingfisher Lake it was decided this year to send a cheque for \$1,000. to St. Matthews Anglican Church so they can purchase food for those in need.
- ACW made a donation to PWRDF of \$100.00 and a donation of \$5,000. to the building fund.
- The ACW, as of January 1st, will raise the cost of funeral lunches to \$7.00 per person
- Sunday, November 18 will be ACW Sunday. Phyllis will meet with Rev. Matt and Jackie Dix to discuss the service/bulletin.
- Jackie's group will be catering the luncheon after the Sunday School Christmas presentation on Dec. 16
- The ACW Annual Dinner meeting is Tuesday, November 27. We will be setting up on Monday, Nov. 26 at 1:30 p.m.
- On December 3 we will meet to help Carol pack the Amaryllis bags.

It was commented that the Turkey Supper seemed to be an uphill battle this year but in the end it turned out okay.

d) Sunday School:

- Working on Christmas pageant
- Made Angels for the Angel Tree
- Ordered Hope Bears for upcoming Baptisms

e) Rectors Report:

- Rev. Matt commented that this time of year until the end of January is extremely busy. He would like to see the Vestry Reports handed in by December 16 to allow Amanda sufficient time to prepare the Vestry booklet.
- Vestry meeting was set for Sunday, January 27, 2019
- Sunday is the 100th Anniversary of the Declaration of Peace. Because of this legions and churches will be ringing bells 100 times - called Bells of Peace.

- Amanda and Friedhelm are going to draft a newsletter to go out to the Parish sometime in the spring.
- Rev. Matt commented that it is nice to see more new faces in the Parish. Also, there are a few Baptisms on the horizon...a very exciting time.

f) Missional Coaching Project:

- No changes from last meeting.

g) Church Mission & Ministry:

- No changes from last meeting.
- Everyone agreed that the bowling afternoon was a great success.

New Business:

- Talked about parking on Main Street and leaving front spots for people with mobility issues. Perhaps put something in the bulletin.
- The Elvis concert to be held on Sat. Nov. 17 is more than sold out!
- Wed. Nov. 21 - Bryan and crew will be decorating church for Christmas
- Christmas Eve services will be at 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Will need child care at the 7:00 p.m. service. Also Phyllis will need 4 sidespersons. It was suggested that this could be announced in church.
- Terri announced that tomorrow night there is a memorial service at St. James, Stratford for Missing & Murdered Indigenous Women & Girls

Upcoming Dates:

- Sat. Nov. 17 - Elvis concert
- Sun. Nov. 25 - Christmas Card making class after church with Beth Smith
- Tues. Nov. 27 - ACW Annual Dinner meeting
- Sun. Dec. 9 - Community Carol Service at Living Hope - 2:00 p.m.
- Sun. Dec. 16 - Sunday School presentation
- Mon. Dec. 24 - Christmas Eve services: Family Service - 4:00 p.m.
Candlelight Service - 7:00 p.m.
- Sun. Jan. 27, 2019 - Vestry Meeting

Next Meeting: Thursday, December 13, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment:

Moved by Terri Ellison - That the meeting be adjourned.
The meeting closed with all reciting the grace.