

Congregational Council Meeting
Holy Trinity Anglican Church
Thursday, October 11, 2018 - 7:00 p.m.

Present: Rev. Matt Martin, Linda Smith, Phyllis O'Neil, Don O'Neil, Terri Ellison, Jackie Martens, Liz Hodgins, Bryan Smith, Heather Smith, Amanda Jackman.

Regrets: Clayton Charbonneau, Calvin Charbonneau, Shelley Reynolds

Call to Order:

Rev. Matt Martin called the meeting to order. He read from the Thanksgiving Gospel reading about inclusiveness.

Approval of Minutes:

Moved by Liz Hodgins; Seconded by Heather Smith

That the Minutes of the September 13, 2018 meeting be approved as amended. Carried.

(Church is supplying snacks and drinks for bowling afternoon; stepstool instead of footstool.)

Business Arising from the Minutes:

- Safe Church Police Checks: Heather reported that the 8 she was waiting on were misplaced; they are now being processed.
- Donations to Camp Wendake/other charities - Liz reported that she contacted Wilberforce P.S. to see if there were special programs at the school that might need funding. She will follow up. Also she wondered if there was any funding set up for the tornado victims in Dunrobin/Gatineau. Bryan suggested we continue our support of food to the Ailsa Craig Food Bank but recommended we support Merrymount Family Support & Crisis Centre this year with our Angel Tree. He said many arrive at the facility with only the clothes on their backs. A representative from Merrymount would be willing to come to speak to us.
- New Directory - Amanda has new software (Canva) she needs to learn first. Hopes the directory will be done before Christmas.

Correspondence:

- None

Treasurer's Report:

Everyone reviewed the Treasurer's Report as emailed to us by Calvin.

Moved by Bryan Smith; Seconded by Liz Hodgins

That the treasurer's report be approved as circulated. Carried.

Bryan has some bills to submit to Calvin for sundry items such as stamps, stepstool, winter salt, vacuum cleaner bags, cleaning supplies, toilet paper.

Committee Reports:

a) Property Report:

- Roof man is coming to look at the slate
- Storm windows are still ongoing. One window is installed; one left to go.
- Bought 2 new corn brooms
- Painted the floor grate in the sacristy
- Dave & Orville fixed the ceilings and vents in the washrooms
- Shawn O'Brien still on the radar to fix brick that needs pointing.
- Will paint the railing to the Parish Hall weather permitting.
- There is some brush around the church yard to pick up once the township bins go up.

b) Wardens:

- Linda is looking into ordering new tax receipts for both Beth and the cemetery.

c) ACW:

- Turkey supper preparations are underway. The bread is being delivered on Oct. 19. Phyllis expressed a concern about the condition of the Community Centre. Bryan talked to Paul who assured him everything would be ready for the supper.
- The ACW Annual Dinner meeting on Tuesday, November 27 will have Jerry Martens as guest speaker talking about Guatemala.

d) Sunday School:

- No report.

e) Rectors Report:

- Rev. Matt attended the Missional Coaching project. Since the congregation doesn't know what is going on behind the scenes it was suggested that we post our approved minutes and finances on the website. It was also suggested that we post the pre-authorized giving form on the website.
- Rev. Matt also said that they would start posting an audio of the sermons; easier to post than the video.
- We are the only church in the area with a Communications Officer.

Moved by Liz Hodgins; Seconded by Heather Smith

That we post the approved Minutes of our meetings as well as a summarized financial report monthly starting with Septembers minutes. Carried.

Church Mission & Ministry:

- Amanda handed out updated Mission & Ministry Plan sheets to review. Many items have been completed or are ongoing.
- Heather will contact Prince George Retirement Home regarding the best time and activity for a visit from our church.

New Business:

- Bryan brought forward the problem with counting the collection, taking the deposit to the bank and then the sidespersons not having a key to lock the church once finished. In the past the Wardens stayed at the church to lock up. There was discussion about installing a lock box outside the church with a key in it. It was decided that we would rotate people with keys to stay and lock up.
- Bryan looked into the cost of a Defibrillator. He had 2 quotes that both came in at \$2,373. tax included. There is an 8 year warranty, serviced every year, needs new pads every 2 years. Liz informed the council that in discussion with her siblings, Paul and Susan, they would like to donate the defibrillator in memory of their mother, Marion Hodgins. Council was overwhelmed by their generosity and very thankful for their donation.
- Liz phoned about having a lift installed in the church. It has to be through a commercial company. Savaria will be coming on Monday to look over the church and make recommendation as to how this can be accomplished.
- Phyllis requested use of the church for their family Christmas on Saturday, December 8.
- Heather requested that the ACW will look after the lunch after the Sunday School Presentation on Sunday December 16.

Upcoming Dates:

- Sat. Oct. 13 - Memorial service for Shirley Hodgins
- Sun. October 14 - Bowling at 1:00 p.m.
- Wed. Oct. 24 - Turkey Supper
- Tues. Nov. 27 - ACW Annual Dinner meeting.

Next Meeting: Thursday, November 8, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment:

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