

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – VIA VIDEO CONFERENCE MINUTES – MARCH 17 2022 (4:35PM)

Attendance: Rev Alastair Hunting, Rev Marion Edmondson, Cary Davis (* joined at 4:45pm), Bob Worbets, Timothy Ray, Peter Walker, Lynn Gray, Doug Shantz, Chris Widner
Resources: Barb Neid (Treasurer), Kathy Coulthart-Dewey (PC Secretary)
Guests: none expected
Regrets: Rev Michael Booth, Peter Walker

1. **Welcome Scripture Reading, Reflection and Prayer:**

Rev Alastair Hunting opened the meeting at 4:30pm with a prayer for Ukraine: for peace, for release from fear about what tomorrow might bring and for comfort to all people in distress.

2. **Adoption of Full Agenda (att# 1):**

*Moved by: D Shantz Sec'd by: M Edmondson
That the Agenda be adopted as distributed.
Carried*

3. **Consent Agenda Items (att# 2-6):**

B Neid noted that, as usual, income will not cover expenses in the early months. The average overage is \$1,000/month, currently the overage is \$4,800. And there is a commitment to keep all parishioners aware of the financial challenges with encouragement to give more if possible.

Rev M Edmondson is a new member to the Coalition to End Homelessness; their aim being to share information and to advocate on behalf of those in need of housing. More information will follow as she familiarizes herself with the group.

Rev A Hunting has discovered St John the Divine Courtenay can access non-perishables from Loaves & Fishes to supplement the Blessing Box and Boutique. An initial order has been placed.

There being no objections, Rev Hunting announced all items listed were approved with consent, including the motions contained therein namely:

- a. That the minutes of the February 17 2022 meeting of Parish Council be approved as circulated.
- b. That the minutes of the Vestry (AGM) meeting held February 27 2022 be received and recommended for approval at the 2023 meeting of Vestry.
- c. That the Treasurer's Report for February 2022 be accepted and approved as presented.

4. **Guests – none**

5. **Business Arising out of Minutes – none**

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6. New Business

a. COVID Protocol Update (att #8): Rev A Hunting

The Diocese's latest update was previously circulated with additional limitations to become voluntary, instead of mandatory starting April 8. Members were asked to share their level of comfort in lifting additional limitations, like the mask mandate for indoor worship, at this time. Consideration should also be given to the serving of meals, with or without proof of vaccine.

b. Meeting Day / Time / In-Person vs Zoom: K Coulthart-Dewey

With the new Parish Council now formed, there is an opportunity to re-visit the group's meeting day and time. In-person meetings are permitted, although an option to join by Zoom will continue regardless. The third Sunday after service, in the nave, was proposed, pending confirmation there is no conflict.

c. Audio / Visual Upgrade Status (att #7): K Coulthart-Dewey

The report illustrates equipment purchased and efforts to date, including a new projector which is not in the 2022 budget. The list will be added to the inventory records. William Cook and Kathy Coulthart-Dewey are now working on linking the audio and video components with any gaps in hardware/software required to be reported at the next meeting. It is recommended costs be drawn from the \$5,000 Interfaith Forum grant received in 2017, since the project is still of interest and AV equipment will be needed to support it.

7. Round Table – Areas of Interest

Rev A Hunting asked members to provide input on a revised alignment of the six Areas of Interest given the change in Parish Council membership. Communications and Finance are in need of support and oversight.

In response to questions, C Widner confirmed a second bid for the St Andrews Painting project has been received from Student Painters in the amount of \$14,525 plus tax; higher than A Step Beyond at \$13,755 with tax. The project was added to the 2022 Budget and approved at Vestry so may now proceed.

8. Closing Prayer and The Grace: Rev Alastair Hunting

Rev A Hunting lead members in a prayer of fellowship.

9. Adjournment:

On mutual consent the meeting adjourned at 5:30pm.

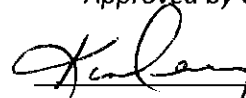
NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR SUNDAY APRIL 17 2022 AT 4:30PM

Attachments (#8)

Recommended Motion for April 17 2022 meeting of Parish Council:

That the minutes of the March 17 2022 meeting of Parish Council be approved as circulated.

Approved by Consent: MAY 15/22


KATHY COULTHART-DEWEY Rector
PARISH COUNCIL SECRETARY FOR