

St. Peter' Minutes of the Vestry

May 9, 2021

Attendance: Fr. Furman, Kyle Conger, Beck Sullivan, Dot Closs, Rhys Kear, Jennifer Cheek, Malissa Hawkins, Bill Hartzell, Sara Powell (youth), Dexter Goodwin, Nathan Search
Absent: Bobbie Goodman, Lindsey Johnson, April Purvis, Shelley Hendershot (Clerk)

The Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Fr. Furman, Rector.

Acceptance of the Minutes: Malissa made a motion to accept the minutes of the April 12, 2021 meeting as written and seconded by Kyle Conger. Motion accepted.

Gospel Reflection: Fr. Furman read a passage from John, Chapter 17, verses 6-19. A brief discussion followed

Discussions:

Columbarium Project: The pavers that were delivered in the wrong color will be picked up at the expense of the company. The committee's recommendation for fencing is Pioneer Fencing. They have a strong Better Business Bureau rating. The cost will be \$6,344.00. A date in August is a likely time for the dedication.

In-person Worship Update: Fr. Furman noted that parishioners are signing up more quickly. Familiar names are being seen. The numbers for Sunday, May 9 were 41 at 8:30 and 67 at 10:30 worship services. There is hope that steps can be taken to increase capacity according to the Bishop's guidelines.

Funding 2022 CPA Audit: Presently, Bill Hartzell, Treasurer, is having to do the review of deposits and disbursements. There have been no volunteers to audit the books. Bill suggests a paid audit of the books. Parishes of our size use a paid auditor. The cost could easily be five digits.

Laptops: Fr. Furman mentioned that the laptops at our church need to be updated as suggested by. Laura Lipscomb. A new base model would cost about \$1100. and ranging to \$1400.

Sister parishes Q/A: Fr. Furman spoke about speaking to other parishes about concerns and topics to share, however, he would discuss the financial issues himself

Old Business:

Pressure Washing: Dexter shared his concern with the estimates. He will compare and run numbers again allowing for fair bids. Dexter will get back to the committee.

Payroll Direct Deposit: A motion was made by Kyle Conger to pay Southern First Bank \$472.00 annually for payroll direct deposit and seconded by Jennifer Cheek. Motion passed.

Recruiting a Treasurer: Bill Hartzell is completing his second three-year term as Treasurer. Fr. Furman commented on Bill's commitment and fidelity in which he has handled his job. We are called upon

to suggest possible candidates to take over Bill's position as treasurer. Our current church administrator, Sue, due to her previous experience, would be capable of tracking monies, however, we would still need a treasurer. The new treasurer would begin serving in the Fall of 2021.

Audit items 2021: Three items were flagged. 1. The need to have a disaster recovery plan in place
2. Is our church insurance adequate? Bill mentioned that increasing insurance leads to elevated values in payment of insurance. 3. Non-cash gifts only would be recognized and not labor.

New Business:

Pentecost Picnic: A discussion was held regarding having such a picnic and the provision for food. We talked about numbers of people and keeping socially distanced outdoors. Providing a boxed lunch would be looked into. Pentecost Sunday is May 23, 2021.

Use of Pavilion by outside groups: The Vestry discussed numbers and it was decided that outside groups will be limited to 50 persons and each must abide by the present CDC guidelines. There is no payment required.

Treasurer's Report:

Bill presented the financials to the Vestry.

Pledge payments: \$44,000.

Year to date: We are ahead in pledge payments.

Monthly expenses: \$42,00. (under budget) Year to date: \$183,000.

Balance sheet: \$1,011,000.

With a motion to accept the Treasurer's report by Beck Sullivan and seconded by Kyle Conger, the report was accepted as read.

We were reminded to sign-up for altar flowers in the coming months.

With no further business to discuss, Dexter Goodwin made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Kyle Conger.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Dot Closs (for Shelley Hendershot, Clerk)