

ST. MATTHEWS CHURCH, JAMESTOWN

VESTRY MINUTES

June 25, 2014

In attendance Father Kevin Lloyd, Ron Black - Sr. Warden, Bob Bauer – Jr. Warden, John Flinton - Treasurer, Peter Elsworth - Clerk, Jason Black, Laura Clark, Tracy Correll, Sally Schott, Amy Smith.

Absent John Williamson.

Father Kevin led a period of reflective Bible study focused on the reading of Matthew 10:40-42.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The minutes of the May 20 meeting were approved.

RECTOR'S REPORT – Fr. Kevin Lloyd

Father Kevin reported that the ordination of Jackie Kirby as a transitional deacon at Grace Church in Providence had been a wonderful event, despite Jan Broadhead's accident during the rehearsal. He reported she was much better when he visited the following day.

He said 40-50 folks from St Matthews attended, along with a large number of Diocesan clergy. He also reported that Jackie had taken a position as assistant chaplain at St. George's School in Middletown. He said he expected Jackie to be ordained as a minister in six months or so.

Fr. Kevin urged those who had not taken the safe training online course to do so.

And he said the Vestry Retreat was possible for later in the year, maybe September.

Regarding the Capital Campaign, he said July 1st marked the beginning of the third year and recommended a letter be sent out to remind folks, including a statement of the current situation. He said there was about \$12,000 in the account.

He also noted the pledge campaign for the fall, and suggested getting out materials by the end of September. He reported 10 households had requested information about the Episcopal Network for Fellowship and six had set up payment plans.

Fr. Kevin noted he would on vacation from the following Monday through mid-July and that Rev. Richard Morgan would be filling in on Sundays.

TREASURER'S REPORT – John Flinton

The balance sheet and budget were reviewed.

A motion was made, seconded, and approved to accept the financials as presented.

John reported outstanding loans stood at \$112,000 which included a \$47,999 long term loan to the Diocese taken out in 2010 and a \$65,000 loan from out endowment. He said he would prefer that we pay ourselves back first and invest the money, noting the Diocesan loan was costing us \$1,300 a month.

He said the endowment stood at \$668,000, up from \$656,000 at the end of last year including some \$30,000 which we had taken out at the beginning of the year.

He said nothing was out of order with the account, noting a large amount of non-pledge income was due to the proceeds from a trust account that came in early.

Regarding the Thrift Shop, he said it should not be paying sales tax and that Senior Warden Ron Black was working on it.

SENIOR WARDEN'S REPORT – Ron Black

Ron reported that planning for the Summer Fair was going ahead with some new blood working on the auction and a new booth selling sweat shirts and T-shirts and another selling Christmas items.

There was some discussion about raising prices for food but it was decided to keep them the same.

He also said he was still research the best way to secure the thrift shop and that no locks had yet been changed although the cash was very secure.

JUNIOR WARDEN'S REPORT – Bob Bauer

Bob reported the Fire Department's Ladder 1 had changed the flood lights, but noted a set of lights over the choir were corroded. There was some discussion about setting LED lights on the organ.

He noted a quote of \$3,000 for a new circulator pump for the boiler and a \$800 quote to fix a leak in a radiator.; it was decided to wait until the next heating season to install these issues.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m. The next Vestry meeting will take place at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, August 19 (later amended to Tuesday, August 26.)

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Elsworth, Clerk