

ASCENSION EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Meeting Minutes

January 23, 2017

Present: Mike Black, Cheryl Coppock, Carol Goulet, Doug Meyers, Matt Murphy, Lee Nirider, Dick Stabell, Tom Sutton, Rev. Todd Bryant, Jeri Platt

Absent: Cindy Breton, Clement Falayi, Jim Anderson

Guest: John Searle

Call to Order/Opening Prayer: Mike Black called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. Fr. Todd Bryant offered an opening prayer followed by a short Bible study of Matt 4:18.

Consent Agenda: Motion #1 – Tom Sutton made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda, Carol Goulet seconded the motion, there was no discussion. The motion carried.

New Business:

By-Laws – John Searle reported he, Cindy Breton and Cheryl Coppock met to discuss and formulate By-Laws for the church. He reported the Diocese had no record of By-Laws for Ascension and they provided a template for use to draw up By-Laws. The By-Laws presented were the same as those provided with the addition of terms of eVoting in Article 7 Section 3 under Telecommunications. This addition was presented to the Diocese Chancellor and was approved. **Motion #2 – Dick Stabell made a motion to accept the By-Laws as presented, Matt Murphy seconded the motion. There was no further discussion and the motion carried.**

New Vestry – Mike Black presented the six names for the new Vestry members to be voted on and installed at the Annual meeting Feb. 5. The new members will be Alan Burton, Paul Duncan, Liz Goodman, Michelle Feagin, Margo Kaplan and Glenn Criswell. They will join Cheryl Coppock, Cindy Breton, Clement Falayi, Doug Meyers, Tom Sutton and Lee Nirider. Fr. Todd reported Paul Duncan has accepted the position of Sr. Warden for one year.

Budget 2017 – Mike Black and Matt Murphy reported on the budget to be presented for 2017. Discussion followed. **Motion #3 – Dick Stabell made a motion to present the current budget using 90% of current pledges, Tom Sutton seconded the motion. There was no further discussion and the motion carried.**

Adjourn: Motion #4 – Matt Murphy made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Doug Meyers seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Closing Prayer: Fr. Todd offered a closing prayer followed by full Vestry recitation of The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeri Platt, Clerk