

ASCENSION EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Vestry Meeting Minutes

May 19, 2015

Present: James Berrie, Mike Black, Cindy Breton, Cheryl Coppock, John Edel, Clement Falayi, Thom Fenner, Michael Fox, Carol Goulet, Jeri Platt, Rev. Todd Bryant

Absent: Matt Murphy, John Searle

Opening Prayer/Call to Order: Fr. Todd opened the meeting with prayers for the Vestry and parishioners. Mike Black called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Consent Agenda: **Motion #1 – John Edel made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda minus the Treasurer’s Report and Finance Committee Report, Michael Fox seconded the motion, discussion followed and the motion carried.**

Treasurer’s Report and Finance Committee report: Mike Black reported on the Treasurer’s Report and Finance Committee Report in the absence of Matt Murphy. **Motion #2 - John Edel made a motion to accept the Treasurer’s Report and Finance Committee Report, Cheryl Coppock seconded the motion, discussion followed and the motion carried.**

Old Business:

- a. **Institutional Trustee and Standing Committee Assignments** – Mike Black presented the assignments. **Motion #3 – Jeri Platt made a motion to accept the assignments as presented, Cindy Breton seconded the motion, discussion followed and the motion carried.**

New Business:

- a. **Key for Florist** – Fr. Todd reported that Ann Burton brought it to his attention that the florist would like a key to the church to make flower deliveries and that this is common procedure with other churches he delivers to in town. **Motion #4 – Carol Goulet made a motion to allow the florist a key for ease of flower delivery, Thom Fenner seconded the motion, discussion followed and the motion was amended. Motion #4b – Cheryl Coppock made a motion to allow the florist a key for ease of deliveries with verification of background check and bonding by the floral company, discussion followed and the motion carried.**
- b. **Floral Cooler Replacement** – Mike Black reported the floral cooler is not working properly and has ruined some floral arrangements. The thermostat has been replaced several times and the unit is about 20 years old. The Finance Committee discussed this issue and there are funds available for replacement. **Motion #5 - John Edel made a motion to fund the floral cooler replacement with the advice of the floral committee up to \$4100, Cindy Breton seconded the motion, discussion followed and the motion carried.**
- c. **AES request to electrify the ball field** – Fr. Todd reported that the school has raised \$10,000 to improve the ball field and would like approval from the Vestry to add outlets to the ball field for pitching machines, popcorn machines, etc. The cost for this will be \$6000 to \$8000 and would be carried by the school. **Motion #6 – John Edel made a motion to grant approval to AES for placing electrical outlets in the ball field, Michael Fox seconded the motion, discussion followed and the motion carried.**

d. **Mission Trip** – Fr. Todd reported that the mission trip fundraisers have raised \$3000 and there are currently 20 people planning on attending.

Motion to Adjourn: Motion #7 – John Edel made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Michael Fox seconded the motion, there was no discussion and the motion carried. Mike Black closed the meeting at 8:06 p.m.

Closing Prayer: Fr. Todd said a prayer for all and led the Vestry in recitation of The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeri Platt

Clerk