

St. Mark's Parish Council

Draft until approved by next meeting

Wednesday, February 8, 2012

7:30 pm, BRH

Present:

Joy Bowerman, Wanda Bowman, Judy Corbishley, Les Cundell, Allen Deering, Cynthia Greer, Fr. Brian Kauk, Penny Miller, Jenny Morphew, Gillian Morris, Janis Perkin, Georgia Roberts, Sheila Vaudrey

Regrets: Stephen Coaker, Michael Perkin

Absent: Mani P Mani

1. **Call to Order** at 7:40 by Judy Corbishley.
2. **Opening Reflections:** Allen Deering read a poem on mental health as recognition of Mental Health Day and Do it for Darren.
3. **Approval of Agenda**
Add PWRDF Update under Other Business
Add Vestry Refreshments under Other Business
Add PC Notes before Next Meeting
Approved (Gillian, Cynthia)
4. **Approval of minutes.**
Approved (Georgia, Wanda)
5. **Business arising from previous minutes**
 - a. The meeting with the LACs has been deferred until next Wednesday, February 15. A report will be brought to the next meeting of parish council.
 - b. Employee evaluations: Dana Lewis has given us a proposal to guide us through doing employee evaluations. It includes the design process, forms and training. Total cost would be \$875. The funds would come from Ministry Reserve. We are looking at 6 week time frame to complete evaluations.
6. **Rector's Report**
 - a. Review of services for Christmas season. Brian has discussed the Christmas services with Ariane it has not been discussed with choir due to a lack of time at the last meeting.
7. **Warden's Report**
 - a. Proposals for use of memorial funds which were received in 2011 will be reviewed at the March meeting.
 - b. There will be a Congregational Resource Day on April 28 at St Paul's University. This is cosponsored by the Anglican Studies Program and Parish Ministry Development Committee. This event is open to the whole congregation.
8. **Treasurer's Report**
 - a. Last year's deficit is shown as an internal loan. We ended the month with a \$2,000 Deficit.
 - b. Rectory trust income is about \$2500 lower than last year.

- c. In the 2012, the deficit is much higher than was seen at the last meeting. The numbers from the diocese for salaries were about \$8,000 higher than expected. This is because of lower income from the rectory trust and increased hours for the parish administrator.

9. Property

- a. We have had a very eventful period for property. The roof, solar, and electrical service contract has been completed. We started to produce solar energy to the grid on February 2 at 3:00 pm. We were without power for about six hours.
- b. The link showing the power produced is on the website through the solar power button.
- c. We began to have severe leaking in the sacristy and office foyer. Penny Miller reported it in March, but it only leaked once and Lorne ignored it. With the coming of snow and ice, the water could not run off the roof so it started to leak where the sloping roof meets the office flat roof. We got quotes to install a new roof. Lucas Contracting was the lowest bid and he was willing to do it now rather than wait until spring. As well, there is no insulation in the roof so he added up to six inches of foam insulation board and sloped the roof to the east. They took off a huge quantity of ice from 4 to 6 inches thick. The roof should be completed this week.
- d. However, two leaks started in the church through the flat roof on the side. The roof was probably damaged during the installation of the roof and solar. Lucas will look after it, but it may have to wait for spring.
- e. And just to join in the fun, two leaks developed in the electrical room where it has not leaked for at least 40 years. We will repair them. Why now? No idea.
- f. The Property crew put the basement back together after the electrical service was installed.

10. Membership

No report at this time.

11. Choir

- a. The choir executive has changed. Kate Greer-Close is now the president. Margaret Lodge is vice-president. Jenny remains parish council rep.
- b. The choir took part in the ecumenical service at Madonna where they sang in English, Italian, Armenian and Latin.
- c. The February 2 choir practice was changed to the Wednesday night so that it was possible for member to go to Margo's induction at St Richard's and in case the electricity was still not on at St Mark's.

12. Outreach

No report at this time.

13. Stewardship

- a. There was a discussion on Draft of Case for the GIFT campaign. Parish council was asked: Do we have it right? Should we go to print?

14. Other Business

- a. Opening Reflections next time are by Jenny Morphew.
- b. PWRDF: Is there a Sunday available for focus on PWRDF? Wondering perhaps about the Sunday after Easter?
- c. Vestry Refreshments:
 - Loaves Cynthia, Gillian, Les x2, Penny
 - Vegetables Joy

- Cheese & crackers - Georgia
- Fruit Janis
- Sweet Jenny, Allen

15. Parish Council Notes:

- a. Solar Update – website
- b. Fixing of Roof
- c. Lenten Program with 3 churches – echo on Wednesday mornings Tuesday evenings starting Feb 28
- d. Congregational Resource Day

16. Closing Reflections:

It is the last meeting for some of the parish council members. Farewell and thanks to Judy Corbishley, Wanda Bowman, Steve Coaker and Mani P Mani. Les Cundell finishes his term as warden and deputy warden but returns to parish council. Sheila Vaudrey finishes and stands again. Gale Deering steps down as Altar Guild president and Ray Davidson has retired as choir president. Brian Darling retires as auditor. Motion of thanks to those individuals. (Brian, Penny)

17. The next meeting is March 14 in BRH.

18. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 with the Grace. (Wanda, Les)

Submitted by Joy Bowerman