



ST MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS
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Vestry Meeting Minutes

Date: January 13, 2022
Meeting Open: 7:02 p.m.
Next Meeting: February 10, 2022

Submitted by: Deanna-Marie DiPirro
Adjourned: 7:34 p.m.

Present:

Fr. Nick Evancho	Pete Schlau
Amber Root, Sr. Warden	Irene Ehde
Mark Korzelius, Jr. Warden	Melodie McEvoy
Lynn Clark	Allie Porter
Sharon Jones - ABSENT	Kris Dodge - ABSENT
Eric Boron - ABSENT	Dawn Farquharson

This January Vestry meeting took place via Zoom at the request of Vestry Members.

Fr. Nick Evancho led the Vestry in prayer.

Add to Agenda

- Fr. Nick Evancho asked if there was anything to add to the Agenda, and there were no additions or corrections at this time.

Review of Minutes

- Fr. Nick Evancho asked if there were additions or corrections to the minutes of the December 9, 2021 meeting, and there were no additions or corrections at this time.
- Irene Ehde motioned to accept the minutes, and Pete Schlau seconded the motion. The minutes were accepted by a unanimous vote.

Financial Report – *from Mike Somer

- Fr. Nick stated that overall, the bank balance is up, and shows \$1800 in the black.
- Fr. Nick stated that Jack & Jill has been paying their rent early.
- The advertising fee listed was for Christmas services in the PennySaver and Island Dispatch.
- Fr. Nick also stated that the Capital Fund has been doing well since the Columbarium expansion.
- Melodie McEvoy motioned to accept the financial report for the month of December as written, and Dawn Farquharson seconded the motion. The financial report for December was accepted by a unanimous vote.

New Business

Carpet Replacement Update

- Pete Schlau stated that it is not a good update and that there has not any correspondence with this individual because he has not responded, and unfortunately a deposit was given.

- We are looking for assistance from Eric Boron on how to proceed with this matter. Pete will forward the contact information to Eric.
- Fr. Nick asked if anyone knew of a commercial carpet installation company that they could forward to him to look into new quotes for the project.

Annual Meeting Date Planning

- Fr. Nick discussed the Annual Meeting possibly taking place on Sunday, February 27 after the 10am service.
- Report submissions are due January 31.
- Possible nominations for Vestry and Jr. Warden were discussed, but Fr. Nick has not received the final list. Discussion included:
 - Amy Fischer
 - Amy Heist
 - Dawn Farquharson
 - Rich Craig
 - Melissa Prohaska
 - Jerry Cahill
- Fr. Nick added that the Jr. Warden can be a current Vestry member.

COVID Guideline Review

- Discussion took place regarding how Vestry members felt about services with the new guidelines.
- Allie Porter asked if services were still being offered virtually, and Fr. Nick stated that his sermons will be recorded and posted beginning this Sunday.
- Discussion took place regarding Coffee Hour and the Vestry decided to suspend it for now. Fr. Nick will send out communication informing the parish.

Estimate of Giving Cards

- Fr. Nick designed the cards for 2022, and a discussion took place as to when to send them out.
- Melodie McEvoy suggested that parishioners could have the option of bringing them to the Annual Meeting to hand in.

Eagle Scout Project

- An Eagle Scout, Owen, contacted Fr. Nick and was interested in completing his project for St. Martin's.
- Fr. Nick would like to add a "Blessing Box" to our grounds, with Sharon Jones possibly managing it. Fr. Nick discussed what a "Blessing Box" is, and that it has been very successful at other churches.
- Fr. Nick stated that he may stock it with funds from the Discretionary Account at first.
- Amber Root suggested possible placement near the Jack & Jill sign, and not near the dumpster or recycling bins.

Supply Priest for Fr. Nick's Paternity Leave

- Fr. Nick discussed that supply priest/s will be worshipping with St. Martin's while he is on paternity leave. The due date for baby Evancho is in March, and Fr. Nick will forward the supply priest information when he receives it.

Addition Discussion

- Mark Korzelius began the discussion regarding the shift in Vestry terms to align with the Annual Meeting now taking place in February.
- Lynn Clark motioned to change the Vestry yearly term to begin in March, and continue through February, whereas a new Vestry class will be elected at the Annual Meeting now held in February. Dawn Farquharson seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Next Vestry Meeting

- The next Vestry Meeting will be on Thursday, February 10, 2022 at 7pm via Zoom.

Attachments:

1. Vestry Meeting Agenda – January 13, 2022 – Fr. Nick Evancho
2. December Financial Statement – Mike Somer