

Present: Linda Bourque, Sandy DePlonty, Ruth Neveu, Gin Mannisto, Cal Woodard

Absent: Bruce Lynn, Steve Stiling, Johney Stephens

1. **Opening Prayers:** Meeting was called to order at 11:15 a.m. Ruth Neveu opened the meeting with a prayer.
2. **Review Agenda:** No additions or deletions to the agenda
3. **Public Comment:** Bob Aldrich came to the meeting to say that the historical Board meeting with all 12 members and two others will be meeting on 3/19 for an in-person meeting. The room they have booked at the Harwood apartments is small, so we would like to offer the church for this meeting instead. Motion to allow the Historical board to use the church with a 2nd by Cal Woodard. No opposition or abstentions, motion carried.
4. **Ministry Support Team**
 - Gin asked where we were with Dave's letter. Ruth said she apologized to Dave today as she has a couple more signatures and then the letter would be mailed. Ruth was going to drive by Steve's office to get a signature and then Cal was going to take it to get Bruce's signature.
 - The Gospel book came, so that was positive.
 - During lent, Gin will be setting up a social hour with a Lenten program beginning on 3/9 and then every other Wednesday at 7pm. There will be a short film, discussion and then a social hour. This is not mandatory, but will be an offering for anyone that would like to attend via Zoom.
 - Bob will be offering the Wednesday morning service during lent as well
 - Still doing film study – series of 7 films. This meeting has still been being done by Zoom.
 - Church policy is "No firearms are allowed in the church." This topic came up because of an email the church had received for a firearms training.
5. **Review/Approval of Vestry Minutes January 16, 2022** - Motion to approve the January meeting minutes by Cal Woodard with a second by Linda Bourque. No opposition or abstentions, motion carried.
6. **Treasurer's / Endowment**
 - Treasurer's report placed on file
 - Question on the February heat projection – is that a typo? Are we on a budget plan? It does not appear that we are.
7. **Committee Reports**
 - A. Christian Education – Lenten program to start on 3/9. The program comes from "Work of the people"
 - B. ECW Report – None. Should we do some type of outreach just by donation since we no longer have the bazaar, since this group was always into Outreach with supporting the Haiti student, etc. Could send the plea out to the greater congregation as well.
8. **Senior Warden's Report**
 - Do we want to keep our food service license? Discussion held and the group felt that we should keep it at least one more year and re-visit it again next year. Katie Chipman may need re-training as it may be up for renewal.
 - Church Use Policy by an outside agency – This policy did have a section to use only the church plates, etc or paper – no plastic or Styrofoam. Ruth suggested that maybe we would want to entertain having this recycling piece/policy in our church as well. We want to make sure that Pam has a key control log so we always know who has keys to the church. Discussion held about policy with a couple of suggested changes. Gin was going to check to see if the diocese has an alcohol policy. Thought was we should get keys that say "Do not duplicate". Linda said she has purchased keys that say this from Pat's Lock and Key. This will be sent

out ONE more time for input and will be finalized at the next vestry meeting. Discussion held on insurance policy and other groups using our building. Our insurance provider, made the following recommendation – An outside group using the building should present the church evidence of insurance along with a certificate of liability so they are responsible for any injuries that may occur during the time they are utilizing our building. CIAC policy includes OUR member or volunteer, but only when performing duties on behalf of our organization. The overall question Cal has is “How much risk is a church allowed to take when allowing another organization to use the church.” Should we be educating these groups that they need to present us with this certificate? Request to also add Page # of # the document before approval. Group would like to find out how much it would cost a group to get an insurance policy for this type of group. Is there a way for these groups to get a rider on our policy? Ruth said she was able to get a rider on her home owner insurance for a wedding reception held at the Cisler Center and the cost of it was very reasonable. Discussion held asking if we should have a sign in sheet for each event/class with a waiver at the top of it saying the church is “held harmless” at the top of it each week. The Release and Indemnity form that the group will sign really says it all. So having a sign in sheet might be good for fire safety as well.

9. **Junior Warden’s Report**

- Emergency Lighting: There are six units that are run with dead acid rechargeable batteries currently. These were installed around 1993. It is felt that these should be tested every six months. Company recommended we move to another unit powered with a nickel cadmium battery. Cal will continue to work on this with Ron Osborn to get the new units installed. The cost for the new units is approximately \$40/unit and we are unsure what the charge from Ron Osborn will be. Motion to purchase and replace these units made by Sandy DePlonty with a 2nd by Cal Woodard. No opposition or abstentions, motion carried.
- Recommend the church use sticker trash tags instead of the current yearly rate of \$287 per year. 10 tags are \$20 currently and we don’t think we would use more than 50 a year. Pam said she is willing to pick up the tags from Central Savings Bank when she does her weekly deposit. Motion made by Sandy DePlonty to switch to the tag system instead of the yearly fee, 2nd by Linda Bourque. No oppositions or abstentions, motion carried.
- Dennis Vierra made a proposition to move some snow with a quote of \$600 to allow him some more room for him to plow. There is approximately 6-8 more weeks of winter. Cal did it this time with his tractor for five gallons of gas and some fun. If we can get a volunteer to do this, why would be not do that?
- Gin mentioned that the outside light by maintenance building is out. Linda felt Cloverland would check this for us. Cal would follow up on this.

10. **Old Business**

- A. Building Use Forms and Policy – discussed under Senior Warden’s report above.

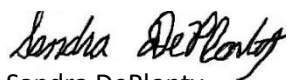
11. **New Business**

- A. Next Vestry Meeting – Sunday, March 20, 2022 – 11 a.m.

12. **Adjournment and Closing Prayers**

- A. Gin said a closing prayer
- B. Motion to adjourn made at 12:53 p.m. by Sandy DePlonty with a second by Linda Bourque. No opposition or abstentions, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by,



Sandra DePlonty

Treasurer / Acting Secretary