

Vestry Minutes

September 14, 2021

Via Zoom and In-Person

Vestry Members Present:

Rev. Lisa Musser, Patricia Streeter, Katie Kinney, Julie Matt, Jan Branham, Sandy Torres, Andy Kitchell, Dorothy Sullivan, Judy Gregory, Linda Springer.

Also Present:

Barb Maxfield

Rev. Lisa calls the meeting to order at 6:35 with prayer.

Intersessions – under separate cover

Lord's Prayer led by Sandy

Vestry Covenant recited, led by Rev. Lisa

No Visitor Comments

Business

Additions

Noxious weed issue

Recognition of Sheryl and Jesus' service on vestry

August 24 minutes approved with the following corrections:

Add Rev. Lisa as present

Under Day Spring Meeting, correct the spelling of Weston Kurz' last name, Executive Director

Insert Andy's request is in reference to the motion passed on June 22, 2021.

Motion to approve minutes as corrected by Linda. Second by Andy.

Motion carries.

September 2, special meeting, minutes approved as submitted

Motion to approve minutes by Jan. Second by Dorothy.

Motion carries.

Sale of Sunset Memorial Garden Plot

Rev. Lisa – In early 2000's Trinity received a gift of a burial plot by Nancy and Steve Brown and became the deed holder of that plot. An announcement went to the congregation to see if anyone wanted to purchase it in approximately 2006. Adamson Funeral Home recently contacted Trinity because there was a family who needed a plot. The sale price would be \$1500. The purchaser would have to pay a \$695 deed transfer fee. The Executive Committee recommends Trinity sell the plot.

Motion made by Andy that we sell the Sunset Memorial Garden burial plot. Second by Katie.

Motion carries.

Discussion

VPOD – We have had two Sundays with the Vestry Person of the Day. Dorothy said it was fine, people did stop by and talk. Julie had someone ask a question she didn't know the answer to and so she will find out the answer and respond to that person. There is a Vestry bulletin board outside church office. VPOD does close-up of the church and counts the money. There is a list in the Altar Guild sacristy for everything that must be done.

Parish ministries list – Dorothy tried to include everything done in the church. Each person on vestry has an assigned area and will act as the liaison person for that area. We need volunteers. Discussion included: How are we going to use this list? Letter to parish? Ministry fair? Dorothy found a letter Fr. Jack had written about what each ministry does. What are the thoughts of the vestry? Patricia suggests we put link on the website where people can navigate to find descriptions of each area. Linda suggests that we use both, hardcopy and website; have a document that describes what each ministry does and distribute that to the parish via the website and in hardcopy. Some ministries cannot be in effect because of COVID restrictions right now. Each liaison person on the Vestry will contact the people in their group and try to fill empty spots. Katie will be the chair of the Stewardship group; Andy is the chair of the Worship group; Linda and her brothers will volunteer to organize the Wreaths Across America ministry; and Dorothy and Judy will organize the Helping Hands ministry. Thanks to Dorothy for her hard work.

Dayspring and their use of our property for parking – Nothing has officially happened since the special meeting. Rev. Lisa discussed the lease and questions about code restrictions and violations with Kim Houchens. He referred us to his nephew, who will not charge us. There are discrepancies about code violations within the city code. Dayspring has marked off the field with flags so people don't park there. Patricia contacted city manager. The Community Development Manager is the one to determine alternative ways of use. Some exemptions can be approved on case-by-case basis. The current Community Development Manager would entertain a variance or waiver for the proposed use of the property with Dayspring. She will get back with Patricia soon regarding her thoughts. When we hear back from the City, Rev. Lisa will continue discussion with Dayspring.

Noxious weeds – Patricia will contact extension office again; the appropriate person was on vacation when she contacted the office since our last meeting. Until then, Patricia suggests if we have complaints from neighbors, ask them to gather a sample of the offending weed and bring it to us and we can deal with it then.

Recognition of Sheryl and Jesus – Judy would like to have Sheryl and Jesus recognized for their service on the Vestry. Judy will research annual meeting minutes to determine history regarding recognition of past Vestry members when they leave mid-term.

Reports

Katie – No financials yet. She is in preparation mode to begin the new budget process.

Patricia – New blinds have been installed in the library and parish hall.

Rector – Sunday was kickoff back-to-church weekend. It went very well. 14 people were at 8:00 service; 61 people at 10:30 service. The Hawaiian Shaved Ice truck was there. People enjoyed it. Rev. Lisa hired interim pianist. He is an international, doctoral student. He is familiar with church services and will be with us next Sunday, September 19th.

Rev. Lisa has two phone screenings for the Parish Administrator job. She has had nine applicants. David's ordination is October 23rd at St. Alban's in Windsor. He will serve at Trinity at 10:30 service the next day.

This Sunday we will have two baptisms at 10:30 service.

Discussion

Discussion was had re new vestry member to take Jesus' place. Per our current by-laws, the Vestry will make the appointment. Vestry members should be thinking about that and asking parish members about it.

Dates

9/25/21 – Front Range Convocation

9/28/21 – Vestry meeting

10/7-10/9 – Diocesan Convention

Rev. Lisa adjourned the meeting at 8:19 with a blessing.

Submitted

Julie Matt, Clerk of the Vestry