

A meeting of the Vestry was held via Zoom beginning at 7:30 p.m. on July 21, 2020. Present via Zoom: Jon Yenney, Ned Travis, Gene Goff, Peggy Spinozzi, Josh Ilgen, Bill Kilgour, Steve Jackson, Marilyn Hastings, Sarah Deacle, Patty Earhart, Drew Beck (Rector's Warden), Maeve Vogan, Father Mike

Absent: none

The meeting was opened with the Vestry Prayer.

MINUTES.

Old Business:

1. The June 16th Vestry Meeting Minutes were reviewed. Patty made a motion to approve the Minutes, subject to Phil providing an account number for HVAC related office work. Passed Unanimously.
2. The June 28th Annual Congregational Meeting Minutes were reviewed. Gene made a motion to approve the Minutes. Passed Unanimously.
3. There were no e-votes since last meeting.

New Business:

4. People's Warden.
 - a. Patty nominated Marilyn Hastings as our new People's Warden, as the representative for the Vestry and Congregation.
 - b. Marilyn agreed and the Vestry accepted unanimously.
5. Parking Lot Repaving.
 - a. Steve Jackson discussed.
 - b. Preliminary research indicates the needed work may run about \$110,000.
 - c. We discussed needing more information about available resources before deciding a course of action.
 - d. At the September meeting we will plan to take a decision after Phil has had an opportunity to update our financial reports and assess what is available for this important work.
 - e. We will want to move quickly at that point to get the work in before the weather gets too cold.
6. Gene gave an update on the planned sidewalk project by the Outreach House.
 - a. We will be meeting with our engineers and the township shortly, and will be getting bids for the work, which should take two weeks.
 - b. Impact on associated trees is being evaluated.
 - c. We will then get a permit for the work.
7. Plans for Worship was discussed by Father Mike.
 - a. Guidance from the Diocese is to proceed slowly for maximum safety.
 - b. Father Mike's target is to open up slowly starting September 13th.
 - c. There will be limited in person services on Saturday at 5 and Sunday at 8 a.m.
 - d. These will be spoken only services (no singing), with masks and social distancing.
 - e. We should be ready for "livestreaming" the Sunday 10 a.m. services by then, for remote participation by the congregation.
 - f. The choir will participate in person at the 10 a.m. services, and will be socially distanced for safety.
 - g. Perhaps one family may be there in person, if there is a baptism for example.
 - h. Communion will continue safely in person at 11:30 following the service.
8. Patty discussed the need for an updated Outreach House brochure. Father Mike asked her to work with Lisa on this. There also was discussion about food supplies getting lower at the Outreach House, and ways to keep supplies up, including using Amazon and/or Dollar Tree for some items.

Commission Area Reports:

1. Outreach – Peggy. Written report was reviewed.
 - a. We are serving about 75 families per week, currently.
 - b. Evansburg United Methodist church has been contributing bread.
 - c. We are doing well with finding the necessary volunteers.
 - d. Mitzvah Circle has been supplying diapers.
 - e. We discussed having a basket for congregational donations at the Church to make it easier for parishioners to drop off donations when attending a service or coming in for communion. We agreed to do this and communicate the plan via Happenings, Father Mike announcements, etc.
2. Parish Life – Ned reported.
 - a. We agreed that the Ham & Oyster Dinner will not be feasible this year, and possibly the Christmas Dinner as well. Christmas Dinner is TBD at this point. It was also noted that a virtual Christmas Pageant is planned this year.
 - b. Maeve noted that the Reeds Across America is still planned this year, at the Cemetary.
 - c. There was discussion about the idea of doing a Zoom Foyer Gathering, which is being considered.
 - d. Pet Blessing day will be virtual this year.
3. New Member Ministry – Sarah and Bill reported.
 - a. Our last breakfast for new members was last Fall, and we had to cancel plans for one this Spring. There was discussion about having a Zoom meeting of some kind for new members, where they could virtually meeting Church staff, Vestry etc.
4. Financial – Phil
 - a. There were no written reports available this month.
 - b. Discussion of the PPP Loan of \$45,000. There is a 1% interest charge. We may have to repay fully depending on what we qualify for.
 - c. Phil noted that we received a donation of \$9,500 as part of an estate settlement.
 - d. Hofsa Estate is on track to pay about \$28,000 for the year.
5. Drew made a motion to approve all of the commission reports. Passed unanimously.
6. Gene made a motion to adjourn our meeting. Passed unanimously.

Our virtual Vestry meeting was closed with a prayer, and adjourned at 8:50 p.m. Our next meeting will be held on September 15th, via Zoom. We will have no Vestry meeting in August, as per usual.

Respectfully submitted,

Jon Yenney

Jon Yenney, Secretary of the Vestry

July 25th, 2020