

St. James Vestry minutes

April 12, 2015

In Attendance: Frank and Anne Aloia; Alice Bartolotta; Howie Burr; Cherry Czuba; Kathleen Carron; Mary Lou Heger; Barbara Keefe; Mary Reilly; Amy Soobitsky and Dick Thompson.

Absent: Ken Cotrone and Karen Krol.

Meeting opened with prayer.

The agenda was approved.

The minutes for March 1 and a special meeting on March 29th were approved.

Financial: There is 13, 243.38 in the bank account. Mary reported that she had found two people to bid on refinishing the floors. One offer was around \$1500.00. Barb Keefe also has a person who will look at the job.

Buildings and Grounds: Dick reported that Jeff knows a contractor whom he will contact to work on the steps now that the weather is good.

Dick reported that there is a buildup in the boiler flue. Tunxis-Ohrs will be contacted.

The roof was cleared of snow earlier in the season. We are waiting on the bill. The roof may need to be looked at due to leaks that occur when we have snow buildup.

Dick and Cherry talked to New England Sign Carver about signs for the church and parish hall. Vestry discussion ensued on cost, need and methods of fundraising. More options will be looked into before a decision is made.

Old business: The tag sale made \$2339.00. Of that 10% will go to the Chris and Dana Reeve Foundation. Amy asked for chair donations for the "reading room".

Cluster Council: Cherry reported that the diocese believe that it is time that the cluster started the search process for a full time missionary as Jim is considered an interim. He has been with us longer than is usual for an interim. We also need a second presbyter. The diocese would like to have a vocational deacon take this role. A priest (supply?) would have to be hired to accompany the deacon to bless the sacraments. The diocese would absorb the cost of the priest.

Upcoming events: There will be a spring cleanup on April 22nd (earth day) starting at 10am. The golf tournament will be on June 27th.

Organ Situation: Amy suggested that we move the organ to the opposite side of the altar and rearrange the furniture. It appeared that there was a group already formed to do this. They will be getting together some time during the week.

Vestry will meet on May 17th, 2015.

The meeting closed with prayer.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted;

Howard Burr

Vestry Clerk