

THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN IN THE WILDERNESS

MINUTES OF THE VESTRY MEETING JUNE 11, 2020

The June Vestry meeting was called to order at 5: 00 pm by Fr. Josh Stephens, our Rector. Attending were: Senior Warden, Carol Rector, Junior Warden, Jerry Tanner, Elizabeth Christenbury, Cynthia Easterling, Terry Enslin, Marie Hyder, Janet Johnson, Greg Newbold, Deacon Sandy Rex, Shelley Schiro, Michael Shannon, Gibson Sims and Dick Zecher.

The opening devotion, which focused on *Thanksgiving and Gratitude* along with prayers, was led by Marie Hyder.

Michael made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 14, 2020, Vestry Meeting; it was seconded by Marie and was passed. Shelley made a motion to approve the minutes for the May 14, 2020 Executive Session; it was seconded by Janet and was passed.

The Financial Report was presented by Carol Rector in Bill Farrell's absence. Carol announced that our church has received more than half of the yearly pledges to date. A budget shortfall is expected in the area of Contributions and Memorials due in part to in-person services being canceled during the Covid-19 Pandemic. However, it was noted that Memorials vary from year to year and could occur at any time.

Carol also reported that \$19K was paid on mortgage held by PNC Bank bringing the balance down to \$133,086.45. Marie added that the bank waived the early payment fee.

While the re-roofing project for the Administrative Building had been previously approved, Jerry stated that the Finance Committee recommended that funds be taken from the Capital Reserve Account to pay for the project. Carol made a motion to transfer money from the Capital Reserve Fund for the re-roofing; Cynthia seconded the motion and it was approved by the Vestry.

The remainder of the meeting centered around a discussion of Bishop Jose's Regathering Document which Vestry members had received electronically later week. Referencing the document, Fr. Josh began by asking questions:

If gatherings are held, either outside or other locations, in groups of 25, 50, etc., would people attend?

- Will not have services inside at the present time
- Fr. Josh has ordered a large tent (20 x 40') to be set up the in the Parking lot beside the new Parish Hall

After the Lord's Prayer led by Fr. Josh, the meeting was adjourned at 6:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Margaret Barker, Clerk