

St. John in the Wilderness

Church Council Meeting Thurs Feb 9, 2017

**Agenda**

**Opening** – Reflection Sandra Fraser

Present: Peter Langille, Sandra Fraser, Brendon Fraser, Shirley MacKenzie, Nancy Mann, Janice McAlpine, Brent Anderson, Ken Walker, Brian Fogg, Ingrid Schmid, Peggy Vanhuizen, Betty Greening.

**Regrets:** Dave Hains, Kim Metelka

Ww welcomed the new and returning members of council.

The January minutes were presented and accepted with minor changes. Peggy and seconded by Janice.

**Business arising from the minutes**

The metal roof has caused condensation. We had vents placed last year, we do not know if they're effective yet, we need another season.

Shirley and Sandra have been interviewing candidates for the secretary position.

The position is about 8 hours per week. The primary purpose it to create and distribute the bulliten. The secretary will be under the supervision of the minister.

There has been a quote from Beehive for backsplash in the kitchen and replacing an eavestrough on the East side if the church that has come down several times. They have given us a quote of \$2401.25 to repair the eaves and do the backsplash. This has already been approved. The money is already in place.

Peggy wants the eavestrough on the West side one the rectors door looked at, the steps have been icy in that area.

There is some progress on the new website. The old website remains completely functional up to date and in use.

Brent reported there is some leaking in the roof of the kitchen over the water heater. Brent has contacted Imperial roofing and they are going to come out and replace two sheets at no cost. They have also given us a quote on Snow guards for \$1100 to help protect the new eavestroughs.

We challenged that this seemed expensive. Peter suggested we get more information before committing. Sandra reported her roof got new snow guards for \$60.

### **Wardens Report:**

Sandra received a thank you letter from the Diocese thanking us for our apportionment payment, we paid 100 % for the 2017 calendar year.

### **Treasurers report.**

Dave is away, Ingrid presented the Treasurers report.

#### Revenue:

- Envelope donations strong at \$9000.
- 3 additional parishioners joined the “PAP” club, bringing the total to 33. This now represents over 50% in \$ terms of our budgeted amount for the year.
- We received \$1811 from FundScrip, a good start to our fundraising budget of \$19,000.
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#### Disbursements:

- We have paid our annual apportionment of \$19,771.
- We paid our annual insurance of \$1600.
- We paid our annual membership to the Lambton Deanery of \$198.
- We paid our yearly snow removal contract \$675.

#### Other notes:

- Annual financial report submitted to the Diocese.
- Annual charitable information report submitted to CRA.
- Applied for the HST rebate for the last six months.
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The report was accepted. Ingrid/Betty seconded.

Fundscript has raised \$2100 to date since Sandra started the program.

### **Correspondence**

Sandra Lamoureux presented a note about church cleaning. the Foubisters have retired from the cleaning rotation. The Walkers, Halidays and Lamoroux continue to clean. We could use another family or two to help.

There is a workshop coming up Sat Feb 11 on whats involved with being a warden or Treasurer Christ Church Petrolia 10AM -2 pm for interested people.

Pancake Supper. We are planning a pancake supper February 28, Shrove Tuesday. Nancy has volunteered in past years and would like someone else to pick up the organizing. She has all the information if someone else wants to come forward.

Phil Egan is a member of the Sarnia Historical Society and would like to do a presentation on the 100th anniversary of Vimy Ridge coming up April 9. We talked about several options. How long is his talk? If it is 20-30 min we could do it in place of the Sermon on a Sunday. We also could do before or after church.

Shirley is still looking for all the keys in the church in circulation.

### **Other Business**

Nasir has a job!! He needs transportation. If you can help, talk to Harry Chadwick.

Shirley would like the board to be more proactive about communicating to the church. She is looking specifically at someone putting out a quarterly newsletter. We need people to help with the property committee. Shirley would like to have contact people for different areas in the church such as outreach, advertising, choir, Sunday school, the triathlon etc, She has a list of the committees and there reports the church.

The list is as follows:

#### Committees and contacts

ACW.	Brenda Clingersmith
Alter Guild	Ann Hitchens
Bluewater Tri/Dua	Ken Walker
Chair.	Brian Fogg
Choir	Brenden Fraser
Coffee Hour.	Maggie Brownridge
Communion Bearers.	Nancy Mann
Counters.	Mavis Schmid
Environmental.	Susan & Bob Halliday
Greeters.	Sign up sheet at the back of the church
Inn of the Good Shepherd	Sign up sheet - hall
Lay administrators	Nancy Mann
Licensed Lay Readers.	Janice McAlpine
Out of the Cold Quilters	
Outreach	Nancy Mann
Pastoral Care Team	Janice McAlpine
Prayer Chain Group	Maggie Brownridge
Prayer Group-Partners in Prayer	Janice McAlpine

Prayer Shawl	Sandra Fraser
Readers	Al Taylor
Servers	Brenda Clingersmith
Sides People	Jim & Jane Gallie
Sunday School	Deb Walker
160th Anniversary	Nancy Mann

Nancy spoke about her ACW meeting Tuesday. They would like to encourage people to help with donations to the Inn of The Good Shepard. Jean O'Neil has suggested a monthly theme for donations. "February is hygiene month".

The meeting was moved closed. in prayer. Brendan and Brent