

## **St. John in the Wilderness**

### **Church Council Meeting Thurs. February 8, 2018**

**Present:** Brent Anderson, Denise Hilary, Peter Langille, Janice McAlpine, Shirley MacKenzie, Sandra Fraser, Ken Walker, Brian Fogg, Nancy Mann, Brenden Fraser, Ingrid Schmid

**Regrets:** Dave Hains

**Opening** – Reflection Janice McAlpine

We welcomed the new member to the board of management, Denise.

#### **Minutes from the January meeting**

The minutes were accepted as presented.

#### **Denise/Shirley**

#### **Business arising from the minutes**

Update on cleaning company quotes. Shirley has met at the church with some different people, detailing what she expects for cleaning, we have two quotes, Brenda from Spectrum Cleaning, \$ 300 for eight hours once per month, Dean from City Wide Services, \$ 150, length of time not specified once per month.

Shirley moved we accept the Citywide quote. Seconded by Ingrid. Both Denise and Brian have some experience with City Wide and have had positive experiences.

Passed

Inspection of Bell Tower, front vestibule. This was deferred to New Business.

Pancake Supper update. Shirley has everything organized for next Tuesday.

Its proving to be an expensive year for snow removal.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

Dave is away on holidays. Ingrid presented on his behalf.

We have paid our full apportionment for 2018, and our insurance.

#### **Warden's Report**

Sandra reported that those people in the church who have had police checks, need them redone. We are now required to use Express check, and this is done through the Diocese. She has the forms.

The Wardens, organist, choir director, Sunday School teachers all require this.

We are paying \$50 to be part of “The Anglican Foundation”.

This has already been budgeted for.

## **New Business**

Brian reported on the Bell Tower inspection and Front Vestibule. Brian Miller from Beehive construction is going to look at the stained glass windows to see if there are any moisture issues.

We have a small leak causing water damage to the Vestibule and we need to have this inspected and repaired.

Sandra wanted to make clear that we do not want to open the Bell Tower, we do not want to have the Bell functional again. We do not want to introduce another area where water can enter the church. We do need to inspect where the Vestibule is leaking. One possible source is the stain glass window in the front of the church. Brian reports that we do need a lift to properly inspect the front stain glass window.

Brent proposed we need quotes on repairing the protective windows that protect the three stained glass windows, repairing the vestibule and repairing the flashing that protects the vestibule.

Brian came forward saying he will try and get some quotes as Brent has proposed.

Moved by Brenden, seconded Brent.

Brian wondered about the parishioners that wanted the Bell working again as identified in the hopes and wishes list that was created three years ago. We have agreed we are not going to open the Bell Tower.

We still have the option of electronically amplifying the Bell through a speaker. The cost for this would be around \$1000. We might consider this under outreach. Bill Siusham is prepared to make a presentation to the board for this.

Shirley reminded us that we are going to be creating a new profile for the Search Committee in the new future, and perhaps we could take the temperature of the congregation to see how important the Bell is to people at that time.

## **Correspondence**

Sandra has received an offer from a parishioner offering help with the Bell Tower.

Janice reports Doors Open would not be held this year.

Aruna has not yet sent out the Blah package.  
The Meeting was closed in prayer. Nancy/Ken

