

Holy Nativity Episcopal Church
Vestry Minutes
March 19, 2024

Attending:

Father Tommy Townsend
Jenny Gregory – Sr Warden
Jim Flanagan – Jr Warden
Robert Cooper
Maggie Glennon
Sue Miller
Rangeley Turner

Absent:

Karen Williams

* Opening Prayer was provided by Robert Cooper

*A brief check-in with Vestry members was conducted

* The minutes of the February meeting were approved as presented

Our treasurer, John Hartland, reported that the finances look excellent. Pledged income continues to be over budget by \$5,203 and our overall income exceeded our budget by \$8,775. Our year-to-date numbers show pledged income exceeded budget by \$12,205 and total income exceeded budget by \$17,644.

*Vestry AOR Reports

Spirituality and Worship: Karen Williams was absent

In-Reach: Maggie Glennon reported that the reception of the 10:30 service in Cate Hall is greatly improved. A small group is meeting on Saturday morning to talk about how to expand the use of the Prayer Garden. The Welcome Committee is turning its attention to the web site. Maggie Glennon will get with Lynda Byrne to set up a time during office hours when she can meet with Rangeley Turner, Jenny Gregory, and Rebecca to discuss our needs.

Outreach: Rangeley Turner will talk with Myrna Amos about the possibility of doing something for children on a First Friday in the fall. She will also talk with Myrna and Becky Matthews about the summer reading program. Maggie Glennon will send Rangeley the contact information for Audrey at the Salvation Army.

Personnel: Sue Miller met with Jenny Gregory to talk about expectations and is still trying to recruit volunteers. She plans to talk with Rita Spalding about training for LEM volunteers.

Physical Property: Jim Flanagan/Robert Cooper: Jim Flanagan reported that 120 bales of pine straw will be delivered before Easter. Robert Cooper will check about the cost of gravel for the parking lot. A plumber looked at the water issue in the Rectory and, as a result, a vent pipe was extended, two new toilets and a new flange were installed for a total cost of \$712. Also, all the batteries have been replaced in the smoke detectors. A draft plan of the proposed extension was examined. Proposed changes will be presented to the architects and a second floor plan will be produced before the elevation drawing is made.

***New Business:**

Sue Miller made a motion seconded by Jim Flanagan that we should suspend the forced savings requirement for 12 months so that we do not have to touch the Raymond James account to pay architectural fees. The motion passed unanimously.

*Robert Cooper made a motion seconded by Sue Miller to pay Father Bill \$500.00 per week plus mileage at .65 per mile for the weeks that Father Tommy is away. This motion passed unanimously.

* As a sign of our appreciation, Robert Cooper made a motion seconded by Rangeley Turner, that we should give Father Tommy a travel allowance gift of \$3,500 to help defray his pilgrimage expenses.

*Father Tommy closed with prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Maggie Glennon