

St. Peter's Episcopal Church
545 Shasta Ave., Morro Bay, The Meeting Place
Vestry Meeting, February 24, 2013

Present: Roger Ludin, Senior Warden; Vestry members, Audrey Gagnon, Nancy Castle, Edith Ross, Summer Wathen, Lynn Enns, Donna Baker & Lois Henderson; Treasurer, Bill Morley; Assistant Treasurer, Diane Ludin; Clerk, Judy Burke. Excused: Bill Bowes

Called to order 12:22 PM. Opening Prayer: Roger Ludin

Minutes of the 1/20/13 meeting: MSC by Nancy Castle & Audrey Gagnon to accept.

Treasurer's Report:

"Profit and Loss Budget Performance for January 2013" was handed out. Questions were raised about a negative Net Income of \$21897.44. Bill Morley said this was actually "retained earnings" ~~and was caused by a problem with the Quick Books software~~ Quickbooks will only show asset items as income so they were left off the statement; he is trying to find a better accounting program. Roger said we could pull \$20,000 out of the "mutual fund" (~~Vanguard Prime Money Market Fund?~~)

Finance Committee Report: none

Old Business:

Destruction of Search Committee documents:

Per Roger: The Diocese says we must destroy all documents relating to the three rector candidates. Nancy and others engaged in a lively discussion about the merits of destroying all these documents. Lynn asked if there was too much secrecy. Roger and Audrey said there is a lot of information on the internet and facebook.

Facilities Upkeep: Bids are still out on the narthex flooring. Per Roger: 532 Napa should rent for \$1250 - \$1300 per month. Per Nancy, we could have a session after coffee hour where the congregation could discuss narthex flooring, and other facilities upkeep; we need to evaluate everything as we are entering a new era. Per Roger, we could use the Benz memorial money for the narthex flooring.

City-wide Garage Sale: Will take place April 6. Per Nancy, we should do part of it inside the meeting place and part on the patio, set up on Friday. Per Audrey, should we do soup and sandwiches as they sold very during last year's city-wide sale? Audrey volunteered to help

provide soup and sandwiches. Donna and Edith volunteered to be in charge of the sale. Per Nancy, we need lots of publicity so we can get more good stuff to sell.

Event Calendar: Per Nancy, “Supper and Singing” is scheduled for March 15, the performers are really good, they need to be paid something so we should ask a free-will donation of \$10 for the show; she was “underwhelmed” by offers of help from the congregation. She is working on having a “sock hop” May 3 or 4, to coincide with Morro Bay Car Show, to be sponsored by St. Peter’s and Morro Bay Historical Society.

Grounds: Bob Swanson has been doing grounds maintenance. Per Nancy, cars parking on the grass on the north side of the church are sometimes blocked by parked cars on the street. Could we put up some portable barriers at the curb to keep access open? Nancy will look into this. Lynn Enns questioned a \$600 expense for grounds maintenance in January; Bill Morley said this was exceptional, for special tree trimming.

Other: Nancy asked to be reimbursed \$315 for an assisted listening device for the sanctuary. MSC by Donna Baker and Audrey Gagnon to accept.

New Business:

Check Signers: Per Roger, Summer Wathen and Sid Symington will be the new check signers, Bill Morley and Stephen Mills are off as signers; all signers have to re-sign at the bank so we’ll keep the old signers for 2 more weeks.

New Junior Warden: No one volunteered; Nancy nominated Bill Bowes (not present) but it was noted he is out of town a lot. Lynn Enns said she might be able to do it; per Roger, we’ll wait till next month to decide on junior warden.

Coffee Hour:

Per Roger: Several persons complained to him that Coffee hour is getting too elaborate, and needs to be scaled back. Lynn Enns and Nancy suggested we should find out what people want for coffee hour. Per Audrey: Some say it is too expensive, but sandwiches go over big, and Summer thought a meal would attract more people. Per Donna: A lot of people like having a lunch – those who need to be repaid can put in for reimbursement. Roger will put a note in the newsletter about coffee hour. It was noted that Lenny and Edith ~~make~~ prepare the list of worship service volunteers.

Other:

Per Edith: We need to have the altar area vacuumed weekly; Summer volunteered to vacuum.

Youth: Roger said Lenny is working with the acolytes.

Holy Week schedule: Roger will check with Sid about the schedule, which must be relayed to Val Valle for inclusion in the deanery Holy Week newspaper ad. Sid also needs to talk with the Altar Guild about Holy Week services. Per Lynn: could we arrange car pools for night time Holy Week services?

Sid's housing: Sid's rental (arranged by Lynn) won't be available till April 1; the address is 1254 Scott Street, MB

Ambulatory: Per Edith: Art Criddle will put some shelves in the ambulatory.

The pews in the social hall were discussed. Per Nancy: should we sell them (on E Bay we may be able to get \$150 for each pew) or put them outside for more seating in the patio? Summer and Edith like them in the social hall. Everyone wants to keep the orange chairs. Nancy will see how much we could get if we sold two of the pews.

Hospital Visits:

Lynn Enns offered to visit people in the hospital, but few have asked. As parish nurse, Lynn will work on health ministry at St. Peter's.

Ellen's service: Audrey will enlist the help of groups Ellen was active in, e.g. AAUW.

Visiting shut-ins:

Nancy asked who is visiting Harry Litvinoff? Lynn offered to visit him as well as Rosemary Bulat at Bayside. Per Donna: Barbara Dority died - can someone see what Everette needs? Donna will check with Calvary Lutheran Church about Everette.

Per Nancy: We should get a smart TV for the social hall.

Senior Warden's Report:

It was a very busy month, with everything involving the rector search, negotiating with Sid, etc. Roger talked about Ellen Pool's passing - he is working on Ellen's memorial service - Lenny will do the eulogy.

Closing Prayer: Roger Ludin. Meeting adjourned 1:15 PM

Next meeting: 3/17/13

Roger Ludin, Senior Warden, _____

Judy Burke, Clerk of the Vestry, _____