

St. Simon's On-the-Sound Episcopal Church
Vestry Minutes
18 June 2015

Attendees:

The Rev'd Eric Zubler, Associate Rector
Bob Hauge, Senior Warden
JoAnn Gorsuch, Junior Warden
Ellen Dodson, Clerk of the Vestry
Brice Horwell, Assistant Treasurer

Vestry Members Present: Rhoda Adams-Reiss, Gene Correll, John Gardner,
Donna Kendrick, Renee Larson, John Sanders, Debbie Vaughan

Vestry Members Absent: Jackie Glover, Cathy Halprin, Joey Havelka

Holy Eucharist was held at 5:30 p.m. in the chapel, followed by a call to order in the parish hall with devotion by John Sanders.

Motions

a. A motion was made by Donna Kendrick to approve the presented agenda and seconded by JoAnn Gorsuch. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote.

b. The senior warden presented a clarification of two items contained in the May vestry minutes. These are as follows:

1. The new program titled "constant contact" will have uses for several of the church's ministries, but that will not include updates to each ministry of their current expenses and balances. That will continue to be provided through the monthly financials. It will allow Finance to provide, to those requesting it, updated contribution reports via email. This will save us supplies, postage and staff time. About 45 people have currently enrolled.

2. The \$600 for Josh Woods is a Seminarian stipend (as was done for Christie and Linda Suzanne). It is done with gratitude for any help Josh is able to offer Eric this year, but it is not compensation to him for his help.

As a result of these clarifications, a motion to approve the May 2015 minutes as amended was made by Rhoda Adams-Reiss. The motion was seconded by Renee Larson and the vote to approve was unanimous.

Important New Business:

a. Treasurer's Report: Our major maintenance & replacements fund took a bit of a hit last month with a couple of costly but needed repairs. The office air conditioning had to be replaced (\$8,640) and the door on the west side of the

nave was replaced (\$3,947) for a total of \$12,587. The good news is that we are ahead of projected pledge and plate receipts by \$19,849 through the end of May. And that, coupled with expenses \$7,300 below anticipated, has made up \$27,373 of the \$35,000 budget deficit which we faced in January (it would have been almost \$40,000 if not for the A/C and the door). Let's hope we can hold our ground through the summer months and keep our momentum going in the right direction.

b. Jan Givhan Memorial proposal: "Walter Givhan asked if the remaining funds in his wife Jan's memorial could be used toward the Dick Cobb memorial behind the parish hall. There is about \$6,200 remaining in Jan's memorial." Rhoda Adams-Reiss proposed that the vestry approve the transfer of Jan's memorial to the Dick Cobb's memorial behind the parish hall with a motion which was seconded by Debbie Vaughan. The vote to approve was unanimous.

c. Community Ministry Portfolio Review and Approval: Copies of Fr. Bill King's recommendations and Bob Hauge's synopsis were distributed to vestry members. After briefly reviewing the Narrative for Parish Portfolio Questions, Rhoda Adams-Reiss, Donna Kendrick, and Renee Larson volunteered to meet Sunday at 9:00 a.m. to amend Bob Hauge's copy for final approval.

Old Business:

a. JoAnn Gorsuch reported for Jackie Glover that John Fitzgerald received a proposal from Coastal Seal Coating & Striping, Inc for \$500.00 to "Layout and stripe parking area at Sea Tow next to the church on the east side. We Propose Hereby to Furnish Materials & Labor, Complete In Accordance with the specifications for the sum of \$500." During discussion questions arose concerning how many spaces would be available and is it really worth the money when cars can be parked sensibly without striping. No decision was made, so the issue will be placed on hold.

b. In-reach: John Gardner reported that the In-reach group would like to resurrect the Ministry Fair since there are many new attendees and parishioners who want to become involved but don't know what opportunities are available. Vestry interest was positive, with the idea of having it sometime after Labor Day. The committee will follow up.

Clergy & Staff Updates:

a. Associate Rector:

1. Reminder of the parish picnic and Holy Eucharist at Beasley Park on the beach upcoming Saturday night, June 20.
2. Margie Bridwell is coordinating an expanded coffee hour between morning services for the next two weeks.
3. There are new items in the Tract Rack.
4. Fr. Eric will be on vacation from Monday, June 29th through July 8th and will be back in the office on July 9. Fr. David Luckett, Fr. John Wave, Fr. Millage Baker and possibly Christie Hord will be filling in at services. Fr. Hein from St. Jude's will be on call for pastoral situations.

5. There are many parishioners in the hospital this week.
6. Retha Jensen has resigned her position as Nursery Supervisor, so we are in the search process for that position.
7. Security during services was discussed and since ushers are in the atrium and hallways during services, a suggestion was made to invite Fort Walton Beach Police Chief Ted Lischauer to the next usher meeting.
8. Mary and Bob Hauge have purchased a stewardship program which will be evaluated for feasibility of use this fall in our stewardship campaign.

b. Junior Warden: see Old Business, **part a**

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Sea Tow striping project: Jackie Glover, JoAnn Gorsuch
2. Out-Reach bicycle repair plan: Joey Havelka
3. Stained glass vestry sub-committee
4. Narrative for Parish Ministry Portfolio: Rhoda Adams-Reiss, Donna Kendrick, Renee Larson
5. Ministry Fair: In-reach committee, John Gardner, Jackie Glover

CLOSING PRAYER: Donna Kendrick

Next vestry meeting will be held on Thursday, July 16.
Motion to adjourn at 7:20 p.m.

Respectively submitted,

Ellen Dodson,
Clerk of the Vestry