

CHRIST CHURCH ASHTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

7:00 P.M. February 3, 2021

Via Zoom/Telephone

OPENING PRAYER: Archdeacon Brian

ATTENDING: Kirk – Peoples' Warden, Council Secretary
Gerd – Rector's Warden
Chris – Deputy Warden
Lois – Treasurer
Janice - Member At Large
Bonnie – Member At Large
Jennifer – Member At Large, Synod Alternate
Henry – Synod Rep., Council Chair
Barclay – Cemetery Board Chair
Trilly – Altar Guild Chair, Pastoral Care Team
Maggie – Pastoral Care Team
David – Property/Maintenance
Michaela - Envelope Secretary
Father Brian – Rector

REGRETS: Bridget – Readers
Brian H. – Synod Alt.
Karen – Music Ministry
Marion – A.C.W.
Vicki – Card Ministry, Sides

CHAIR: Henry

SECRETARY: Kirk

BUDGET: Lois

The 2020 year end financials, along with the proposed 2021 budget were presented.

With the COVID-19 Pandemic impacting heavily on Fund Raising, a deficit budget is proposed for 2021. The shortfall will be in the order of \$6,000.

There is a possibility the Diocese will repeat the grace period we had last year to limit our costs. But this is yet undecided. More giving by the Congregation will be needed to meet all our financial commitments.

St. Paul's maybe discontinuing the Grocery Gift Card program. Lois does still have cards left for sale from Farm Boy and one card for Metro/Food Basics.

The Card Ministry needs funding as does Parish visitations. Funding needs to cover the cost of cards, stamps, hand delivery by car and visitations involving travel.

The cost of the web page is likely to remain unchanged.

A clergy conference is still planned for 2021 with a 60/40 cost sharing in the Parish of Mississippi Lake.

Motion to Adopt – Lois

Seconded by – Barclay

Approved unanimously.

VESTRY:

Vestry will be at **1:00 p.m. February 28, 2021 Via zoom/telephone.**

Send all Vestry reports to Henry by Sat. Feb. 13. for consolidation into one report. Please keep reports short.

Chris will print the Parish Vestry Report for those without computers (i.e., Marion, Ruth, George, June)

Likely there will be no Rector's report unless a generic one for all the churches.

In future, there may only be one Vestry combining all the churches into one meeting.

Present Vacant Positions:

Council Secretary

Property Maintenance

Sides (Kirk will speak with Bridget)

Cemetery Board Members must be elected.

All present members of council and ministries indicated they will stay on in their present capacity.

Rev. Brian preparing Vestry Agenda.

PROJECTS:

KITCHEN – Kitchen is nearly done, need to order and install stainless steel counter tops, hook up sinks and paint but all is on hold due to the pandemic.

VESTRY OFFICE STAIRS – Seth has not constructed the stairs yet. The Church needs a cost of materials from Seth so that Council approval can be sought. David will speak with Seth.

COVID-19: We remain in the RED ZONE until the end of February.

Zoom services remain in place.

NEW BUSINESS:

Maggie – There will be a memorial flowers list of the names of loved ones for Easter. Some of the revenue raised will go towards flowers on the Altar even though the church may be closed and the majority towards costs to finish the kitchen and/or stairs.

Rev. Rosemary's Departure – Collection for a gift, send a note/card, phone gathering and drive by goodbye are all available.

Replacement Clergy – Parish needs 2 full time Clergy equivalents. Rev. Brian unsure at this moment how it will all unfold. The Bishop, Wardens and Synod Reps. will be a part of the final process for meeting the Parish's Clergy needs.

MOTION TO ADJOURN – Gerd

THE GRACE