



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE VESTRY

May 19, 2022 at 7 p.m.

Present: Brad Linboom (Rector), Jeff Dillon (Warden '23), Jenni Garnett (Warden '24), Paola Arce ('23), Dick Park ('23), Matt Wissman ('24), Julie Bossert ('25), Tom Mendoza ('25), Jim Massie (Treasurer), Terry Hodges (Clerk)

Not Present: Olga Frias-Basta ('24)

B. Linboom called the May 19th regular meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. with a quorum present.

Opening Prayer and Check-In: B. Linboom began with a prayer and led a brief meditation based on the song "Rainbow" by Kacey Musgraves.

Follow-up on Assigned Retreat Tasks: J. Dillon updated the Vestry on the liquor licensing process for a brewery event at the church; he also had investigated options for an alternative brewery off-church site event. P. Arce had updated a draft logo as part of her research on a CHN T-shirt printing and costs.

Staffing Updates: The Rector has recently received two leads, one each for the two open Administrative and Children/Youth Formation positions. He is following up. He has had one interview for the bookkeeping position and may investigate a service option.

Announcement Policy Proposal: The Wardens and the Rector had met to review comments over the inconsistencies of email death announcements to the parish. They explained to the Vestry that they would develop a policy that provides for automatic email death announcements of parishioners, but that requires a requester who wishes an email announcement for a non-parishioner's death to contact the church office with details. Vestry members concurred with the proposed policy.

Community Outreach Update: J. Garnett reported that parishioner Jeanne Widing has volunteered to prepare a handout on CHN's outreach projects for Daisy Days. Left-over bags from Farm Fest will be used to hand out to the festival's attendees for food donations for the Hinsdale Pantry. The Rector will plan for soliciting volunteers from the parish for shifts to man the CHN booth during Daisy Days. J. Dillon is working on ideas and publicity for CHN's involvement in the July 4th Hinsdale parade.

Parish In-Reach Update: J. Garnett proposed to the Vestry that cards with specific volunteer opportunities be prepared to pass out to parishioners at a Sunday service with a request that everyone complete the card. Training will be offered to entice volunteers. B. Linboom explained that the parish still has Fellowship needs and felt that breaking down tasks might help to find folks interested in these smaller responsibilities (e.g, Sunday coffee, special events, funerals, etc.).

Vestry Closer: The Rector explained that he wanted the Sunday church closing responsibilities to be resumed by Vestry members. He will walk members through the closing process after the meeting ends.

Bishop's Visit: The Bishop (Chilton Knudson) will visit on June 19th. He also expects that the Bishop will want to meet on that date with the Vestry, as is the tradition during a Bishop's visit. The Rector will advise the parish that the Bishop's service will start at 9:30 a.m. (with live streaming), as will all Sunday services this summer starting June 5. B. Linboom plans to hold some summer Sunday services outside (hopefully, at least once per month).

Consent Approvals: Upon hearing no objections, B. Linboom declared the minutes of the April 21st Vestry meeting entered into the record as approved and accepted the report of the Treasurer for this May meeting record.

- **Minutes:** The April 21, 2022, meeting minutes were previously distributed for review to the Vestry. No corrections were offered.
- **Treasurer's Report:** J. Massie briefly reviewed his previously-distributed report for April 2022. Revenue was above budget in April, and expenses were below budget with two exceptions. The Treasurer summarized that the parish's finances remain strong. J. Massie also reported on the Endowment Fund investments currently held by Vanguard mainly in stocks and recommended that the Fund be diversified; he will suggest to the Endowment Fund Committee that it move the investments to the national Episcopal Fund.
- **Committee Reports:** No written reports were submitted for review and acceptance.

Other Discussion:

The Vestry briefly discussed Bingo Night publicity for the weekly newsletter and final preparations for the event to be held on May 21st. With no other discussion topics offered, B. Linboom declared the meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Next Regular Vestry Meeting: June 19, 2022

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Hodges, Clerk