

Meeting of the Vestry December 13, 2023

Attendance: Rev. Will Compton Rev. Tom Fanning

Marvin Koury, Jr. Warden Michael Barker, Treasurer (zoom)

Cliff Agnew Anna Arnold Bill Buhner

Dick Dickinson Ellen Durst Ashley Herdon

Kenny O'Neal Russell Wilcox Russ Markle (after 8:00 pm)

Absent: Brock Haas, Russ Markle for the beginning of the meeting

Opened in prayer by Rev. Will Compton

Motion to approve amended November minutes by Bill, seconded by Cliff, and approved by all.

Treasurer's Report: Michael Barker

Reviewed and discussed November Financials

 Motion to approve November financial report by Cliff, seconded by Bill and approved by all.

2024 Annual Budget

- Wednesday Night Supper
 - The Finance committee recommends returning to the donation box only and not a required supper fee.
 - Voluntary Proportionate Giving (Pledge to the Diocese)
 - The single largest increase in the 2024 budget

- 10% pledge would be \$131,071.40 (estimated from the 2022 parochial report at the Diocese)
- Motion to increase the Diocesan Pledge to 10% of the 2022 Parochial Report, a total of \$131,071.40 by Russell, seconded by Marvin, and approved by all.
- Program Request
 - Hire organist.
 - PDO increase wages with an increase in rate for admission.
 - Seminarian Support Gabbie Munn
- Budget Surplus to be moved to designated restricted fund named "Capital Reserves" allocated by the Vestry
 - Motion to accept 2024 Annual Budget as amended, with any surplus moved to a designated restricted line item named "Capital Reserves" by Marvin, seconded by Kenny, and approved by all.
 - Motion to move \$19,351.53 from Day in the Country net proceeds to designated restricted line item named "Capital Reserves" for AC repairs by Marvin, seconded by Kenny and approved by all.

Jr Warden's Report: Marvin Koury

AC BID

- Three total Bids were discussed.
 - Motion to accept Air Plus proposal for AC replacement, a total of 4 units by Marvin, seconded by Russell, and approved by all.

Entergy Proposal for Line of Right of Way: Cliff Agnew

- Pole with three guidewires
- +/- 145 linear underground / 10 ft wide
- \$ to The Chapel
 - Motion to accept Entergy Right of Way pursuant to exhibit A in exchange for \$\sum_{\text{excute}}\$ compensation from Entergy, and to authorize the Sr. Warden to execute on behalf of The Chapel of the Cross by Cliff, seconded by Dick and approved by all.

Rectors Ruminations: Rev. Will Compton

Vestry Nominations

- 10 nominees
- Electing 3 persons for a full term and electing one person to fill an unexpired term of 2 years vacated by Dick Dickinson upon his accession to Junior Warden.
- Vote at Annual Parish Meeting, January 21, 2024

Christmas in the Country

- About 1,000 cars drove through
- \$10,000 raised
 - \$5,000 to Our Daily Bread
 - \$5,000 to Toys for Tots

Christmas Services

- Advent III
 - Lessons and Carols at 10:30a in the Resurrection
 - Advent Party at Maggie Pooley's
- Advent IV at 10:30a in The Chapel of the Cross
 - Christmas Eve Services in The Resurrection at 4p, 6p and 10:30p
- Christmas Morning Service in The Chapel @ 10:30a

Staff Changes:

Rev. Tom Fanning to be announced as the new Associate Rector of The Chapel of the Cross

Tom's Tidbits: Rev. Tom Fanning

Meet and Greet with the Bishop Candidates for the Central Convocation

- January 20th at 10:00 am hosted by The Chapel of the Cross
- Meeting to be held in The Chapel, The Resurrection, EYC wing and Rector Offices

New Business

Election of incoming Sr. Warden

- *Cliff Agnew excuses himself from meeting
 - Recommendation to elect Cliff Agnew as the new Sr. Warden of the Vestry by Will, approved by all.
- *Cliff returns after the vote, and Dick Dickinson excuses himself from meeting
 - Recommendation to elect Dick Dickinson as the new Jr. warden of the Vestry by Will and approved by all.
- *Dick returns to the meeting

Compline led by Russ Markle

Motion to adjourn by Marvin, seconded by Kenny, approved by all.