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VESTRY MEETING MINUTES: 23 OCTOBER 2022 AFTER MASS

Call to order and opening prayer. Present: Fr. Kevin, Louise Briscoe, Tim Helming, Bobbie Pearson, Mawg Ellithorpe, Roy Sparks Approval of August minutes was tabled and subsequently handled via email

OLD BUSINESS

PRESCHOOL USE OF PARISH HALL

Wildflowers Preschool's has decided to move out and find another space. Just FYI; no action needed.

CHURCH CLEANING

Rationale for hiring someone from the outside to do the cleaning is that almost all of the Clementines are too old to do it and we have the funding to do it. Louise has found Maid Brigade who charges: Initial cleaning (2 hours) - \$360 Subsequent cleanings - \$270/visit Cleanings include the following: Both bathrooms Kitchen floor All other floors, upstairs and downstairs Window sills "dressing rooms" This item is FYI and was passed at the August Vestry meeting. It was moved, seconded and passed unanimously by the Vestry to hire Maid Brigade to clean the Church as specified above on a monthly basis..

TREE REMOVAL

A tree between AJHouse and the neighbors to the south is in bad shape and may become a liability if it falls on the neighbors' house since it leans in their direction. Garylee Johnson has submitted a proposal for the removal of the tree.

The Vestry asked that Garylee obtain an estimate.

MOOREHEAD ESTATE DISBURSEMENT

There has been a payout by Great American Insurance to the estate as well as a large number of US Savings Bonds sent to the USTreasury for redemption. The estate is not yet closed but getting close. More disbursement to come.

NEW BUSINESS

PRESCHOOL USE OF PARISH HALL

Wildflowers Preschool's has decided to move out and find another space. They will be gone the first week in November.

There was some discussion of permitting an existing staff member to use the space for a new morning-only program, but that staff member subsequently found another solution.

RECTOR'S STIPEND PROPOSAL

Bobbie Pearson proposed that the 2023 Budget reflect the diocesan standard for the Rector's stipend which, at half time pay, is \$42,700 per year or \$3558.33 per month. This will also impact the contribution the Parish makes to his Church Pension Fund.

Moved, seconded and passed unanimously by the Vestry.

STEWARDSHIP

A Stewardship Luncheon will be held on 20 November after Mass during which time the budget will be presented to the members of the Parish with a brief time for Q and A, pledge cards distributed and collected. Due to the proposal above, the goal needed for 2023 will require a 10% increase in pledging from what is presently proposed in the 2023 Budget. Rick Tanner will cater this event. The Vestry will pay for the groceries and Rick for his time.

Rick made the suggestion for the Luncheon that certain Clementines be asked to "sponsor" a table for the event which means providing fine china, flatware, napkins, a table cloth, and possibly a centerpiece for the table. After the event, the sponsor takes home these items and does appropriately. Vestry members are encouraged to be sponsors.

VESTRY 2023 CANDIDATES

-Candidates for election to the 2023 Vestry are: Tracy Helming. Karen Meier Mary Morales – Her response: **NO** Esther Mumford – Her response: Not at this time. Susan Scott – Her response: Yes Rick Tanner Molly Thompson– Her response: Not at this time.

CLOSING PRAYER

Duncan King closed with prayer.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT