

Minutes of the Vestry
St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Windham Center, CT
22 September, 2019

Present: Father Gary Sturni, Lynne Ide, George Younger, Sue Marston, Rebecca Stearns, Marian Brazziel, Donovan Reinwald, Jim Russel

Meeting called to order at 11:27am.

Conversation with Father Sturni

The vestry met with Father Sturni to discuss logistics during his time as a Supply Priest.

Mission and Outreach Report

Sam and Shawn from ECSU's Shawn's Cupboard joined the meeting to give us information on this mission.

They receive support through the campus ministry. They have a pantry in a building on campus that does have a kitchen. They are in need of non-perishable items, toiletry items and reusable bags in which to carry food.

Rebecca advised that Murphy Sewall will continue as the WAIM representative.

She advised that Virginia Fulton has agreed to be the rep to the No Freeze Shelter. Jim made the motion, Donovan seconded and all agreed.

Representatives will soon be needed for the Soup Kitchen and the Baptist Meal. This will be further discussed during Stewardship.

ECCT Convention

Convention is 10/26-27/19. Lynne will ask Marion Beausoleil if she is interested in attending as a delegate with Donovan.

Property Report

A water inspection was done and it was advised that we need a port to take water samples. It will be placed in the boiler room. The Vestry agreed this should be done. Donovan made a motion, Marian seconded and all agreed.

George stated the window air conditioners are difficult to install and store and would like us to have a ductless central air system installed. Proposals for the work are being put gathered.

When the old ones are removed we should see if anyone could use them, including offering them back to the donor.

Treasurer Report

Marian advised that the Savings Institute is now Berkshire. Marian has paid some things in advance until the new checks are received. She went over the Financial Report which all members have a copy of. It was requested that a new column be added for the year to date budget on future reports.

It was advised that a bequest of \$95,568.45 from the estate of Billie Salter be added to the investment account. Rebecca made the motion, George seconded and all agreed.

Marian will provide Sue with Michael Campbell's address so a thank you can be sent for this bequest.

Wardens Report

Donovan is staying on top of the schedule and advised that attendance has been steady.

Lynne advised that there is no update from ECCT regarding priest status. There is some concern within the congregation regarding this. Lynne will check with ECCT again.

Stewardship Campaign

What does the future of St. Paul's look like? We should do something on Sundays before the Stewardship letter is sent. This letter will go out the week before Thanksgiving.

Lynne will give the homily related to Stewardship during morning prayer on 10/27.

Next meeting: 11/10/19