

**St. Boniface Episcopal Church**  
**February 2022 Vestry Minutes** to be approved March 17, 2022

**Date:** Thursday, February 17, 2022

**Vestry Members Present:** Wayne Farrell (Rector), Gino Fellin (Sr. Warden), Rooney Mereness (Jr. Warden), Prill Nugent, Beverly Parker, Larry Patton, Charlie Pettengill, Holley Schroeder, Donna Smith [on Zoom], Zerbe Sodervick, Judy Stickler, Randy Thomas,

**Vestry Members Absent:** Phil Baker

**Other Attendees:** Suzanne Barksdale (Treasurer)\*, Nikki Seger (Assistant Rector; serving as Clerk)

\* Suzanne clarified for the Vestry that, as Treasurer, she has "voice" yet no "vote" in her role.

**Evening Prayer**

**Call to Order**

**Grants and Outreach:** (Larry Patton)

- Reviewed guidelines document (after 4-year lapse).
- Errors, typo's and additions were noted.
- Document **received** as modified.

**Gratitude Commission:** (Prill Nugent)

- To date, we have achieved 90% of our pledge goal for 2022, for a total of \$764,000. (Since our meeting, we have been gifted with two *new* pledges, which increases our total to \$765,000, still at 90%.)
- A generous parishioner has offered to take part in a matching pledge campaign, which we are trying to develop for implementation in the spring months.
- The Commission plans to develop communications to raise awareness of and interest in our endowment fund as part of its 2022 program.

**Strategic Planning Committee:** (Larry Patton)

- Final stages of presenting the Congregational Assessment Tool to congregation
- Goes live Sunday, Feb 20

**Capital Planning:** (Suzanne Barksdale)

- Capital expenditure forecasting will be delivered at the vestry retreat

- For vestry approval:
  - Exterior painting of church -- Lerch Custom Painting was recommended. Lerch will honor their quote tendered in November despite the 15% increase in supplies. The bid is for \$13,125 (with \$3,125 deposit due before the work is begun). Funds will come from Capital Reserves.
    - Motion:** "To accept Lerch bid and proceed with painting exterior of church"-- So moved, seconded and accepted as presented
  - Increase rate for beach parking
    - Motion:** "To increase the fee for parking in the month of March and holiday weekends (surge periods) from \$15 to \$20"-- So moved, seconded and accepted as presented
  - Survey of the entire campus is needed for an engineering firm to design and recommend a solution to the flooding in the southeast parking lot. The vestry approved \$7,730 for MSB to do the survey, funded from the Capital Reserve account.
    - Motion:** "To contract with MSB Surveyors for \$7,730 (from capital reserve) for a survey of entire property" -- So moved, seconded and accepted
  - Church Office roof
    - Motion:** "To take ~\$15,000 from capital reserve to replace the Church Office roof (Shue-Kauffman Roofing Co.)"-- So moved, seconded and accepted
  - Capital Planning Meeting upcoming work regarding securing our property with hurricane impact windows and doors; also leak in church roof

**Sr. Warden Report:** Gino Fellin

- Emailed report (attached)
- Presented ideas regarding communications to parish about vestry work (consensus)

**Jr. Warden Report:** Rooney Mereness

- Southeast parking lot flooding – Met with Ombudsman (Ross Morton) from SWFWMD, who gave advice to hire professional engineer; vestry approves the Jr. Warden finding a civil engineer
- Renovation of Parish Hall – discussion and tour of the parish hall
  - Motion:** "To renovate the Parish Hall, as per the plan developed, at a cost of \$102,000 taking funds from the General Investment Fund account" -- So moved, seconded and accepted

**Treasurer's Report:** Suzanne Barksdale

- Review of January financials; **Approved** for audit by vestry

**Assistant Rector:** Nikki Seger – appreciation expressed to vestry for their support and leadership

**Rector:** Wayne Farrell

- Announced letters dimissory for Assistant Rector have been received
- Funeral for Robert Reeves highlighted
- Planning and design for lighting project in the Nave is underway
- Continuing to follow CDC guidelines regarding Covid best-practices
- Archdeacon Kathleen Moore has been referred to hospice care
- Celebrate the work of John Cagney, new sexton

### **New Business**

**Election of Delegates to Convention:** Larry Patton; Gino Fellin; Suzanne Gregory; Phil Baker (alternate); **Approved**

**Vestry Retreat:** Friday night dinner at Farrell's; Saturday at Dayspring (Feb 25, 26)

**Annual Meeting Minutes:** "amend minutes to add Nikki Seger as signature for accounts:" ...

**Motion** – So moved, seconded and accepted

**Parochial Report:** "reviewed and signed" **Motion** – So moved, seconded and accepted

**Minutes** – "Jan 20, 2022; Jan 30 Annual Meeting; Jan 30 Vestry meeting minutes as amended."

**Motion** -- So moved, seconded and accepted

### **Calendar Items:**

- **Parish Survey** – goes live Sunday, February 20
- **Campus closed** – Monday, February 21 ~ *Presidents' Day holiday*
- **Ash Wednesday** – March 2, services 7:30 am, 10:00 am, 12-1:00 pm (beach), 6:30 pm
- **Recital & Evensong** – Sunday, March 6, 5:00 p.m.
- **Chopin Project concert** – Sunday, March 13, 6:00 p.m.
- **Next vestry meeting** – Thursday, March 17, 6:00 p.m.

**Adjournment:** 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
NS+, Interim Clerk of the Vestry