

Minutes of the Vestry Meeting
April 20, 2009
Trinity Church on the Green

Present: The Rev. Andrew Fiddler, The Rev. Estelle Webb, The Rev. Alex Dyer, Heather Alexopoulos, Michael Bingham, Peg Chambers, Ray Chappell, Duo Dickinson, Joe Dzeda, Barbara Hedberg, Karrie Hendrickson, Barbara Lamb, Leigh Lindsay, Rose Pawlikowski, Jack Tebes, Eleanor Tignor, Jan Tredwell, Rich Walser, Robert Windom. Ex Officio: Bob Sandine

The Rev. Andrew Fiddler opened the meeting at 5:35 p.m. and Richard Walser offered a prayer.

Bob Sandine volunteered for prayer, and **Leigh Lindsay, Duo Dickinson and Barbara Hedberg** volunteered for refreshments for the **May 18, 2009** Vestry meeting.

The minutes of the March 16 Vestry Meeting and the Special Vestry Meeting of March 30, 2009 were **approved**.

Associates Reports: The Rev. Webb reported that the Home Board brunch at La Luna in Branford was a success, with a good time being had by all who attended.

The Rev. Dyer explained that the Chapel on the Green needs a coordinator to help run it. To this end, he presented a proposal to apply for a grant from the Mission Development Fund from the Diocese to help fund the cost of a coordinator's position. Discussion about the application and the Fund followed. A motion was made and seconded that the Rev. Dyer be authorized, on behalf of Trinity Church, to apply for the grant. The Motion was **approved**.

Rector's Report: The Rev. Fiddler reported the following:

- a. Thanks to all who helped with Holy Week and Easter services (over 1,000) attended.
- b. Thanks to Karrie Hendrickson for volunteering to coordinate the coffee hour schedule.
- c. Thanks to the money-counters for volunteering.

Candidate for Holy Orders approval: The Rev. Fiddler reported that the Vestry needs to approve the petition of Robert Hendrickson for Holy Orders. At this point Karrie Hendrickson left the meeting. Discussion about the candidate followed. The Parish Clerk then passed out the petition for approval signatures of the Vestry. Upon the return of the petition with the signatures of the Vestry, the Parish Clerk declared that the petition was **approved** by all voting members and then certified the petition. Karrie Hendrickson returned to the meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Heather Alexopoulos, Treasurer, explained the financing of the upcoming construction project.

Properties Committee Report: Duo Dickinson reported the status of the various construction projects

Community Works: Leigh Lindsay reported on attendance at the Habitat for Humanity work project. She also talked about sponsoring a family.

Youth Mission Trip: Rose Pawlikowski reported about the Youth Mission trip to Minneapolis.

Joe Dzeda suggested that as the cost of printing post cards was very low, we should have a nice post card as a give away. That way people have something to remember Trinity. A motion was made and seconded to authorize the printing of post cards to be placed in the Crosswell for free distribution. The motion was **approved**.

At this point, the Clergy left the meeting.

Interim Search Status: Barbara Hedberg reported on the status of the compensation package for the proposed Interim. Joe Dzeda commented that we should remember that we should strengthen our ties with the Diocese remembering that we need the Diocese in our search for the new Rector. After much discussion, a motion was made and seconded that the Vestry approves the compensation package for the Interim along with pension and medical benefits. The motion was **approved with one no vote and one abstention**.

At 6:55 p.m. the Junior Warden, Barbara Hedberg, closed the meeting with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Raymond A. Chappell, Clerk