

St. Matthew's Episcopal Church Vestry Meeting Minutes
June 19, 2007

Vestry Members in attendance: Tom Clark, Susie Chapin, Richard Selph, Whit Greene, Kathy Hynes, Lucy Lord, Vince Lucero and Mike Shoemaker

Clerk: Susie Chapin for Joanne Payne

Clergy: Father Michael Richardson

Eucharist: 6:30 p.m.

Documents Disseminated: Vestry Agenda, Treasurer's Dashboard

Meeting called to order at 7:15 p.m.: Father Michael opened with prayer

Minutes of May Vestry Meeting: amended to reflect vestry member Lucy Lord in attendance, Motion made by Tom to accept, 2nd by Lucy, unanimously approved

Rector's Report

1. Father Michael reiterated His vacation plans:
 - Leaving Monday, 06/26/07
 - Returning Monday, 07/18/07
 - Father Rod Moore will be Supply Priest
 - Bishop Winterowd will celebrate 07/08/07 baptizing grandson
 - Mother Cassandra will be available for pastoral emergencies
2. Father Michael announced Jr. Warden Richard Selph's resignation, due to his retirement and leaving. Motion by Tom to accept, 2nd by Vince, unanimously accepted
3. Father Michael announced he has asked Whit Greene to accept position of Jr. Warden. Susie made motion to approve Whit's nomination, 2nd by Lucy, approved unanimously.
4. Father Michael requested the July 2007 vestry meeting be rescheduled for July 24, 2007 due to his late return, and Sr. Warden Tom Clark out of town. Motion made by Lucy to change date, 2nd by Vince, unanimously approved.
5. Per Father Michael, need to change check signing privileges to reflect Sr. Warden Tom Clark, Treasurer Bruce Siekierski, Father Michael Richardson and new Jr. Warden Whit Greene. Motion was made by Kathy to authorize those signatures, 2nd by Liz. Unanimously approved.
6. Per Father Michael, Town of Parker will be issuing an easement regarding new parking lot to "butt" up to St. Matthew's Parking lot in next couple of weeks
7. VBS, still not scheduled
8. Per Father Michael, Pastoral Counseling of Denver is interested in using space at St. Matthew's to provide licensed counseling service for those in Parker area.
9. Keep Elizabeth Ulmer, Christine Greene and Isabelle (Vince's great-niece) in prayers.

Finance

1. Per Mike. Finances are looking positive, Mike left early.

Senior Warden Report

1. U2charist was good, and enjoyed by everyone in attendance
2. Church BBQ scheduled for Saturday, August 18th, would like to see it as a "Bring a family" opportunity

Parish Ministry Coordinator

1. Susie reiterated, next 3 months and beyond, of activities
 - 07/21/07, Holy Smokes Chili Cook off
 - 07/29/07, Loaves and Fishes ingathering
 - 07/29/07, Youth Pool Party at Chapins
 - 08/17/07, Church BBQ, Tom and Micky Clark's home
 - 10/07/07, Blessing of the animals, Youth group will organize
 - 10/13/07, Octoberfest
 - 10/27/07, Children's Halloween Party

Commission Reports

New Member Incorporation

1. It was agreed that we see new guests, each week.
2. Susie commented, due to the many end of year school functions, that maybe next 2008 Spring Newcomer's Wine and Cheese Party, can be scheduled for late April, especially with Easter being early (March 23rd). Father Michael agreed to look at schedule next spring

Pastoral Care

1. Liz reiterated Father Michael's prayer request for Elizabeth, Christine and Isabella.
2. Tina Newlin has a dinner schedule for the Ulmer Family beginning July 3rd.
3. Prayers and Squares will have a quilt to tie this Sunday, June 23rd for Elizabeth.

Finance

See previous report from Mike.

Buildings and Grounds

1. Lucy requested an "indoor" work day to maintain and repair items primarily in the Balcomb house, but not limited to that location.
2. August 25th is the tentative date, prior to the beginning of Sunday School.
3. Whit will do a walk through with Lucy to identify what needs servicing.

Treasurer's Report

1. Bruce was absent due to business travel, he did submit the monthly dashboard. It was discussed and currently, we are in good standing.

Children and Youth Ministries.

1. Kathy reported that the youth Camping trip at Lake Grandby is still trying to be scheduled.
2. We need an additional adult leader, since Sara Straight's resignation, and Andrew Erickson accepting and out of state job.

Music and Worship

1. Father Michael reported Betty Sue will continue as our interim organist through Summer.
2. The committee to discuss Music in St. Matthew's will meet once Father Michael returns from vacation.

Christian Formation;

1. Father Michael reported that we have several Baptisms scheduled during the summer.

Stewardship

1. Tom reported has not yet started the campaign for 2008.
2. Father Michael asked Tom to form committee.

Fellowship

1. None to Report

Outreach

1. Susie Recommended approval of donations for the 1st quarter budget allotment of \$540 to St. Peter's and St. Mary's shelter/kitchen (a High Plains region ministry) and \$540 to Holy Hammers.
2. Motion was made to accept this recommendation, 2nd. Unanimously approved.
3. Bienvidos Food Bank/Jubilee Center will be recipients of the 2007 Loaves and Fishes Food Drive, since per Vince the Parker Food Bank recently completed its largest ingather of food this past weekend.
4. Vince motioned that we approve the recommendation of Jubilee Center be recipients of food, 2nd by Susie. After discussion, approved unanimously.
5. During the kickoff for the Loaves and Fishes Campaign, families will be asked to decorate their brown grocery bags during the Sunday School hour.
6. Chuck Shoemaker is the new St. Matthew's Holy Hammers liaison.
 - Chuck reported at the last Hearts and Hands monthly meeting, that there are several fund raiser events scheduled in 2007 for Holy Hammers.
 - During that same meeting, Chuck reported on 2 Houses to begin construction, 1st located in Commerce City scheduled to start in July. The 2nd is located in Toll Gate Crossing in Aurora, tentatively scheduled for September.

Old Business

1. English as 2nd language educational program.
 - Per Vince, English as a 2nd Language program (also Spanish as 2nd Language) could start in Balcomb house beginning August.
 - There is a possibility of 20-25 students.
 - Vince made motion to accept this program. 2nd by Lucy.
 - Discussion-because of the size, the class would be split into 2 groups, each group meeting a different night of the week.
 - Unanimously accepted.
2. Per Vince, the Crop Walk still does not have a local coordinator (for Parker). If one is not found soon, possibly won't happen.

New Business

1. Per Father Michael, he needs to submit names for delegates for 2007 Diocese Convention. If anyone is interested or knows of an interested party, please contact him.
 - Convention is scheduled for the first weekend of October 5th and 6th. Friday and Saturday.
 - Workshops possibly scheduled for Friday afternoon and Saturday morning
2. Per Father Michael need to fill Vestry Service Rep vacancies due to Richard Selph's resignation. Dates available, July 22nd 8:00 a.m., Aug 19th 10:30 a.m., October 14th 10:30 a.m., November 8th 8:00 a.m. and December 16th 8:00 a.m..

Next meeting scheduled for July 24th, 2007, Tuesday.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m..