



Resurrection Episcopal Church, Rockdale

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Vestry Meeting Minutes, August 23, 2022

Attendance: Fr. Tom Wand, Priest-in-charge, Phyllis Russell, Barbara Krisack, Helen Dunlap, Linda Leiby, Kelly McNerney, Jim Geiger, Janet Russello, Kelly McNerney, Rosemary Bezuidenhout, and Jill Graham; Guests: Sean McCauley and Terri Burrell

Meeting started at 7:00 PM

1. Opening Prayer- Fr. Wand
2. Motion to accepted the June 12, 2022 minutes and the Cemetery Fund Provisions minutes with gratitude. 1st: Phyllis Russell, 2nd: Jud Winters; all in favor
3. Forthcoming/recent events
 - a. 7:30 services: 9/4, 9/18, 10/2, 10/16, 11/6, 11/20, 12/4, 12/18, 1/11, 1/15, 2/5, 2/19, 3/5, 3/19, 4/2, 4/16, 5/7, 5/21
 - There is coverage for 7:30 service until 12/18-
 - Will do coverage for 2023 later.
 - b. Aston Community Day – Oct 1 (Terri Burrell)
 - Simplifying it this year: 2 arts & crafts; cookie decorating; temporary tattoos
 - Sign-up sheet this Sunday for volunteers to help
 - Jill will talk with Dawn for flyers for: Available food in undercroft, Touch a Truck, and Preschool
 - Township would like to borrow tables again.
 - c. Touch a Truck – Oct 15 (Jill Graham)
 - Need a rain date
 - Need people to let Jill know about who to send a letter to:
 - Jake's Landscaping
 - Horizon – Jim Geiger
 - Firpo Moving – Helen Dunlap
 - Aston Police/Firetruck – Terri Burrell
 - Candy Donations appreciated
 - Will any preschool staff be available to attend this year?
 - d. Fall events: waffles, etc. – Ask in church before deciding.
 - Dates: Sept 11; Nov 6
4. Financial Report (see attached doc)
 - a. Comments by Rosemary Bezuidenhout – nothing unusual; a motion to accept the financial statement with thanks- 1st: Jim Geiger; 2nd: Janet Russello; all in favor
 - b. Counting Procedures
 - Dawn would prefer that we don't can't on Sunday because she redoes it on Monday so there will be a sign-up sheet for Monday to do it with Dawn.
 - Rosemary Bezuidenhout will make up a sign-up sheet.
 - c. Fr. Tom will invite Joe Bardroff to September's Vestry meeting to discuss Pledging
5. Property Committee Report- Phyllis Russell, Janet Russello, Jim Geiger, Helen Dunlap
 - a. Jim, Phyllis, Janet, Helen – Super 18th duper thanks so much
 - b. Bill Hagen took care of modular leaks; Bill Diamond's wife passed away – should we send a planter from the Vestry; Lost key – is it Bill Hagen's?

- c. Cemetery Update
 - Columbarium: we need the marble removed so we can get it cut by Cullis and then we can identify and label who is bury in which niche.
 - Tombstones: some are still down and will be lifted – heat and vacations have been the reason for delays.
 - There is no perpetual care- church is only responsible for grass cutting and trimming; any bushes or flowers planted are the responsibility of the grave owners.
- d. Easement (Sean McCauley)
 - Suggestion was made to contact a real-estate lawyer; we need to limit liability and protect the church and vestry
 - Sean suggested Mark D’Amico - he is well respected and it could cost us a few thousand dollars
 - Mark D. D’Amico
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 - The agreement should be simple: grant access, maintain it, and home owners have property insurance
 - Diocese still needs to sign off on it: Bishop and Standing Committee
 - Pat Smith and George Masters are on the Standing Committee
 - Some questions were raised do we need a lawyer and why can’t the home owners move the mailbox.
 - Janet Russello and Phyllis Russell will check with a lawyer about it.
 - We have 2 signs made and on hold for the steps: DO NOT USE;
USE AT OWN RISK
- e. Back road traffic
 - Issues with trucks using the driveway off Rte. 452 – they use it as a thru way instead of going up Mount Rd off rte. 452
 - Discussion to put up a sign restricting traffic Mon- Friday because of school
 - Sign suggestion: NO THRU TRAFFIC
SCHOOL IN SESSION
 - Helen Dunlap will consult with Munro Printing about the sign.
- f. Vehicle storage on property
 - The red truck parked next to the shed belongs to resident who lives in the Rectory and it may not run at all.
 - The grass and weeds have grown up and around the truck and it needs to mowed or truck removed.
 - Aston Township requires that all vehicles be update on insurance and inspection.
 - We need the truck moved or ground around it look presentable before TOUCH A TRUCK
 - Helen Dunlap will talk with Zabrina, the tenant, at the rectory about it.
- g. Diocesan Funding for Parking Lot
 - Vestry needs to read and make suggestions to Fr. Tom by Monday, Monday, August 29.

6. Warden's Report
 - a. Rector: Phyllis Russell-
 - Sent Thank you's to Bishop Wright and Jake's Landscaping
 - b. People's: Barbara:
 - Event went well and covered by the Geiger's.
7. Priest-in-charge Report
 - a. LEV license for Joan Geiger – motion was made for Fr. Tom to make an application for Joan Geiger to be aa Lay Eucharistic Visitor; 1st: Janet Russello; 2nd Phyllis Russell; all in favor
 - b. Acolytes: A motion was made for Fr. Tom to make an application for Kate Idun, Linda Leiby, and Kelly McNerney to be licensed as Eucharistic Ministers; 1st: Janet Russello; 2nd Phyllis Russell; all in favor
 - c. By-laws text distributed- Up to date with all the changes made and distributed to all Vestry members.
8. Other business added to agenda- none
9. Message to parish including Constant Contact message(s)
 - 7:30 services starting Sept 4 and will be every 1st and 3rd Sundays
 - Community Day: October 1 – need volunteers
 - Touch a Truck: October 15- need volunteers and candy donations
 - Waffles – does congregation have any interest
 - Driveway sign – limiting truck traffic
 - Counters needed for Monday mornings with Dawn – sign-up sheet or see Rosemary Bezuidenhout.
 - Sign-up sheets for acolytes and readers for September and October
10. Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 PM; 1st: Linda Leiby; 2nd: Jill Graham

Respectfully Submitted,
Helen Dunlap
Secretary