

St. Paul's Episcopal Church
Vestry Meeting Minutes
May 19, 2024

Members Present: Doug Merritt, Gwen Temple, Carol Canter, Julie Koch, Tana Myers, Joe Feserman, and Mother Stephanie

Members Absent: Ruth Harris, Scott Jessee
(Bill Harris, Clerk of the Vestry, and Drew Mayberry, Treasurer, also absent)

The meeting started at 11:11 am.

Minutes: With the condition of a slight spelling correction to be made (the spelling of Drew Mayberry's name on line 4 of the Financial Report), Gwen Temple made a motion to approve the April 21st Vestry Meeting Minutes. The motion was seconded by Doug Merritt. The motion passed.

Financial Report: See submitted April Treasurer's Report. Income for April was strong. Two items of note were the \$50,000 from the Susan Whittington bequest and \$10,000 from the Diocese for Step Ahead (both non-recurring). Ordinary giving was approximately \$12,000. Most of the expenses are close to budget. \$3900 was spent in tornado clean up with more expenses to be listed in the May report. A motion to accept the April Financial Statement was made by Carol Canter and seconded by Joe Feserman. The motion passed.

Tornado Damage Update: Insurance adjusters estimated property damage value to be approximately \$55,000. With depreciation accounted for and after deductible, pay out was \$39,735.55 (will be reflected in May finance report). Repairs are ongoing. Doug Merritt has overseen recent repairs in the graveyard and will be meeting with roofers regarding the Parlier House roof damage soon.

Members then participated in the Eucharist and a time of spiritual reflection. Chapter 2 of *The Rebirthing of God* discussed.

Parlier House Vote: Town Hall meetings and parishioner emails were discussed. Absent members' written opinions were reviewed and votes noted and present members discussed their opinions and voted. The vestry voted in favor of pursuing the partnership with Hospitality House for renovation and use of the Parlier House for 3 years was approved.

Other Business: Gwen Temple and Joe Fesperman are in contact with musicians in planning for Wednesday night community events for the summer. An updated calendar of vestry members responsible for locking up will be provided soon and the person responsible for lock up will be listed with the other servers for each Sunday in the weekly bulletin. The Crisis Ministry Team will not be meeting in July. There will be no vestry meeting in July.

Meeting concluded at 1:12 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Julie Koch