

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

Vestry Meeting Minutes

November 27, 2022

Members Present: Ramona Curtis, Mark Williams, Richard Barber, Beverly Cook, Richard Searcy, Carol Canter, Joe Fesperman, Mother Stephanie Parker

Others Present: John Harwell, Bill Harris

The meeting started at 12:05 p.m. with prayer.

Minutes: Richard Barber made a motion that was seconded by Ramona Curtis to approve the October 23, 2022 Vestry Meeting Minutes. The motion passed.

Financial Report: John Harwell advised that income for the month of October was \$31,958 and expenses for October were \$25,078 giving an operational income of \$6,880 for the month. YTD thru October, income is \$282,757 and expenses are \$293,079 giving a loss of \$10,322 YTD. YTD the market value of the total investments has declined \$169,101. There is currently a total of \$50,836 available to apply to the costs of the bricks and the office renovation. Joe Fesperman made a motion that was seconded by Mark Williams to accept the October Financial Report. A stewardship letter will go out the parish shortly.

After a discussion of the revised 2023 Budget, Mark Williams made a motion that was seconded by Richard Barber to approve the 2023 Budget as presented. The motion passed.

The 2023 Clergy Housing Allowance Resolution for Mother Stephanie was approved by the vestry. The resolution reads as follows" Whereas the Rev. Stephanie E. Parker is employed as a minister of the Gospel by St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Wilkesboro, NC, which does not provide a residence for her, the vestry resolves that of the total compensation to be paid to the Rev. Stephanie E. Parker during the period of January 1st through December 31st, 2023 that \$60,000 be designated a housing allowance within the meaning of that term as used in Section 107 of the IRS Code of 1986".

There will be one combined service in the chapel at 9:30 a.m. on December 18th. There will be a 4:00 p.m. service in the chapel and an 8:00 p.m. service with music in the sanctuary on Christmas Eve. There will not be a service on Christmas Day. The next vestry meeting will be December 18th. The annual meeting will be January 22, 2023.

The meeting ended at 1:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Harris

Clerk of the Vestry