

Trinity Parish Wethersfield

Vestry Meeting Minutes

Thursday, January 15, 2026

Attendees: Connie Harasymiw, Don Ghostlaw, Carol Jones, Rob Heath, Kathy Cole, Melissa Pavick, Aversa Sheldon, Greg Joseph.

Absent: Melanie Hepburn, Bruce Duncan, Cheryl Chadsey

6:45 pm meeting called to order.

1. Opening prayer. Greg Joseph
2. Minutes from December 18, 2025. Corrections made. Motion to accept minutes as amended, by Don Ghostlaw, seconded by Greg Joseph. Motion passes.
3. Financial report for December 2025. December income was \$53,613, \$44,630 for the year. Expenses for December were under budget by \$47,00, under \$49,000 for the year. Pledge income for December was \$1.5k over budget and \$3k for the year. Motion to accept the financial report made by Greg Joseph and seconded by Kathy Cole.
4. No new agenda items.
5. New business. No new business items
6. Old Business.
 - a. Update on search for a priest. A Zoom meeting was held with Canon Olds and wardens and treasurers of St. James and Trinity to clarify questions of salary and financial obligations to a priest. Canon Olds explained that the Diocesan guidelines were minimums and could be negotiated by the church. The rectory at St. Andrew the Apostle in Rocky Hill is not occupied and this will be explored as a potential housing option. Don Ghostlaw asked the Vestry for suggestions of area activities and attractions that will be included in a document to present to the candidate. There was discussion of the bottom-line salary offer with attached costs of housing allowance, medical insurance and retirement that will be presented to the candidate.
 - b. Accessibility Update. An architect firm has been chosen. Completion and delivery of the Feasibility study is the first step. Carol and Warren will begin seeking grants and investigating low mortgage loans from the Diocese and consideration of a capital campaign to provide funding for the project which the architecture firm suggests will be two million dollars from start to finish. The Feasibility Study is phase one and a full

set of architectural drawings is phase two. Actual construction is phase three.

- c. Annual meeting is set for Sunday, February 8th after the morning service. The Annual Report is done and at the printers. Joan and Greg Joseph are in charge of the Brunch.

7. Closing Prayer -Greg Joseph

8. Meeting Adjourned at 8:07pm.

Minutes submitted respectfully by

Connie Harasymiw 1-18-2026