St. Augustine's Parish Council Meeting

September 26, 2017 7:00 pm
Approved Minutes

Call to Order: at 7:01 pm

Everyone was welcomed back to the first meeting after the summer break. There are lots of great programs starting as well.

1. Opening Prayer by Diane

- 2. Agenda: After changing the date of the next meeting at the end of the agenda it was approved
- **3. Minutes of the Last Meeting:** The minutes of the June 27, 2017 meeting had been circulated in full and web formats. They were adopted as presented.

4. Management Committee Reports

<u>Fellowship</u> – Tina and Gary were present to report on the Fellowship ministry. They said that a new oven is being purchased for the kitchen in the crypt. At the Harvest Supper there will be a cash bar from which the proceeds will go to the new stove. New dishes and cups are being purchased for the crypt. A parishioner has donated some of this dishware. Harvest supper prices are \$5/person or \$10/family. There was discussion on mixing during coffee hour. We all need to be "welcomers." Tina and Gary were thanked for all they do.

<u>Finance</u> – Karen reported that we are heading into the Stewardship campaign. They are saving money by using smaller envelopes.

The debit machine is working well and can be used for Stewardship donations. Parishioners can respond to the campaign via email now.

Caring Ministry – Pam had a note of thanks in her circulated report

Mission & Outreach – reports were also circulated prior to this meeting

There was discussion about a video that accompanies the new defibrillator. There was also talk of a general first aid course.

5. Business Arising:

Carol thanked everyone who delivered flowers or helped with coffee hour over the summer. Our next flower delivery month is November.

6. Finance Report: Cathy reported that revenue is very close to budget and expenses are a little under budget overall. Most items were fairly inactive over the summer or are tracking normally.

Funds – the new altar cloths were paid out of the flower fund. The roof and skylight expenses are not showing in the capital fund yet. The newly fixed-up house is now rented. The sound system has been purchased and used, and has been paid for out of the memorial fund.

7. Other Business:

a) Discretionary Donation – This money is intended for outreach; something outside our church family. We will need a decision at the next meeting.

- b) Synod There will be a Diocesan Synod on October 13 & 14. Our church will be well represented.
- c) Administration Denise is remaining on medical leave. Donna will continue to fill in for her.
- d) Portable Sound System is working well. One case has not been received yet.
- **e) Photo Directory** has been proofed and sent off for printing. We should expect to see it in about 8 weeks. A little advertising was sold in the directory.
- **f) Roof and skylights** the repairs have been completed. There is still discussion on how to vent the skylights.
- g) #408 Rental Property looks really nice. The new parking is very helpful.
- h) New Stove already discussed. The old stove may be put in one of the rental properties.
- i) First Aid Kits are almost complete. There are a couple of pieces still missing
- **j) Purple vestments** samples have been viewed but nothing suitable has been found. They need to find the right fabric. The vestments are being donated by and anonymous donor.
- k) Harvest Supper will need volunteers
- **I) Seniors' Christmas Party** will be on December 2 from 2:00-4:00 pm. The attendees love the LCI Jazz Band so they will be asked again. (And the band loves to come too, by all accounts.) Save the date!

Adjournment and closing prayer: @ 8:17 pm