CHRIST CHURCH IN THE CITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK

MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 12, 2024 VESTRY MEETING

Approved

Rev. Hollis called the meeting to order at 7:02pm

MEMBERS PRESENT: Joanna Hollis, Rector; Sheila Cooper; Rector's Warden; Mark McMahon, People's Warden; Meegan Adames; Gordon Arsenoff; Wendy Benjamin; Jonathan Clark

ABSENT: Jim Nichols

STAFF PRESENT: Rev. Daphne Roberts, Dcn.

DISCIPLESHIP

Opening Prayer was led by Wendy Benjamin.
Dwelling in the Word: *Mark 13:1-8*

STEWARDSHIP

Property Updates

Rev. Hollis announced the receipt of a grant in the amount of $13,500 from ECS with $8,500 designated for the HandiLift project and the balance toward the Rotating Men's Shelter. McMahon offered to speak with the other groups renting space to contribute to the balance of the HandiLift project.

Stewardship Walk in Love Campaign; Draft Budget Preview

Sheila Cooper reported 40 pledges received to date for a total of $217,994.00.
Members reviewed the draft budget and spent time in preliminary discussion. The formal budget meeting will be held on Dec. 8 (following the 10:30 service).

REGULAR BUSINESS

Acceptance of the October 8, 2024 meeting minutes

Mark McMahon moved to accept the minutes of the October 8, 2024 meeting. The motion was seconded by Gordon Arsenoff and carried unanimously.

Financial Report

Meegan Adames presented the reports. The reports were reviewed and received, subject to audit.

Topics on the Minds of the Vestry

- Gordon Arsenoff announced that we will have an acapella singing at the 10:30 service on December 15. Vestry members volunteered to host coffee hour that day.
- Meegan Adames called attention to some parishioners in need of transportation to/from church on Sundays. Announcements will be placed in the bulletin asking for volunteers; this may also be considered an item to be added to this year's Wish Tree.

- A Transgender Day of Remembrance (sponsored by New Brunswick Interfaith Alliance) will be held November 20 at 7:00pm at Edward J. Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy Building, 33 Livingston Ave, New Brunswick.

Key Topics

- The Vestry reflected on the wonderfully interactive Prayer-full Retreat held November 9.
- The Vestry is celebrating the receipt of an ECS grant for the HandiLift and Rotating Men's Shelter.
- The Vestry reviewed the draft budget shared that will be reviewed/amended/approved at their special meeting on Dec. 8.

Compline was led by Wendy Benjamin.

The meeting was adjourned by Rev. Hollis at 8:27pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Terry Ann Schwarz
Recording Secretary

Be it **RESOLVED THAT** in supersession with all the previous resolutions in respect of operating a bank account having Bank Account No. 0038 1012 3828 with Bank of America at its New Brunswick, NJ branch, the Current mode of operation for above mentioned account be & is hereby changed by adding the following authorized signatory. **Ms. Sheila Cooper, Rector's Warden**

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT Rev. Joanna Hollis & Ms. Sheila Cooper be & are hereby authorized to operate the said current banking account jointly or severally as the case may be.

Be it **RESOLVED THAT** in supersession with all the previous resolutions in respect of operating a bank account having Bank Account No. 0038 1012 4050 with Bank of America at its New Brunswick, NJ branch, the Current mode of operation for above mentioned account be & is hereby changed by adding the following authorized signatory.
Ms. Meegan Adames, Finance Chair

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT Mr. Mark McMahon, People's Warden, Ms. Sheila Cooper, Rector's Warden, and Ms. Meegan Adames be & are hereby authorized to operate the said current banking account jointly or severally as the case may be.

Be it further **RESOLVED THAT** in supersession with all the previous resolutions in respect of operating a brokerage Account No. 61068027 with Vanguard, held by the Rector, Church Wardens, and Vestrymen of Christ Church, the Current mode of operation for above

mentioned account be & is hereby changed by adding the following authorized signatory.
Mr. John Ager, Treasurer

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT Mr. John Ager, Treasurer & Ms. Sheila Cooper, Rector's Warden be & are hereby authorized to operate the said current brokerage account jointly or severally as the case may be.

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT the copy of resolution be provided to the aforementioned financial institutions for their further action.