CHRIST CHURCH IN THE CITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK MINUTES OF THE MAY 13, 2025 VESTRY MEETING

Approved

Rev. Hollis called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Joanna Hollis, Rector; Jonathan Gloster, People's Warden; Mark McMahon, Rector's Warden; Meegan Adames; Gordon Arsenoff; Jonathan Clark; Eleanor Forbes; Debra Lowe; Jim Nichols

ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT: Rev. Daphne Roberts, Dcn.

DISCIPLESHIP
Opening Prayer was led by Jim Nichols

Dwelling in the Word *John 13:3-35*

STEWARDSHIP
Stewardship Leadership Update
Ashlinn Stansbury-Fields and Jeff Fields have volunteered to co-chair the Stewardship Team, with their first meeting tomorrow. Previous Stewardship Committee Members are expected to attend, along with new members.

HandiLift Update
Jim Nichols reports that the unit is in production with a tentative August timeline for installation.

4th Century Task Force Update
Jim Nichols reported a great kick-off for the Task Force. He is currently working to complete the application and will be reaching out to the committee at Trinity Church relative to the format along with their guidance on the amount that may be needed for the feasibility study.

OUTREACH
Spring/Summer Event, June 21
A variety of ideas were discussed with no clear plan established for the event. Members discussed our history of the July 4 program, and if the parishioners have an interest in continuing the program this year. Jim Nichols will email members that have worked on the event in the past to gauge their interest for this/next year.

Emmanuel Lutheran: Shower Program Proposal
Jonathan Gloster moved we donate up to $1,000.00 to support the shower program, seconded by Mark

McMahon. Discussion: Mark McMahon suggested asking parishioners to donate to the program with the Church providing matching funds. A special collection will be taken up on Pentecost (June 8). The motion carried by unanimous vote.

REGULAR BUSINESS

Acceptance of the April 8, 2025 meeting minutes

Gordon Arsenoff moved to accept the minutes of the April 8, 2025 meeting, seconded by Jim Nichols. The motion carried without objection, and one abstention.

Financial Report

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

Topics on the Minds of the Vestry

- Members voiced their support of the music Artist in Residence program

Executive Session

The Vestry entered Executive Session at 8:35PM, concluding at 8:49PM

Key Topics

- The Vestry welcomes Jeff Fields and Ashlinn Stansbury-Fields as chairpersons of the Stewardship Committee and looks forward to working with them and supporting them with the ministry.
- The Vestry voted to participate in a local initiative to provide showers to the houseless during the summer months. A special collection will be made on Pentecost Sunday, June 8th, and whatever is raised through the collection will be matched by Christ Church up to a maximum of $1,000.
- The repair of the HandiLift is scheduled to begin in August.

Closing prayer was led by Jim Nichols

The meeting was adjourned by Rev. Hollis at 9:09PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Terry Ann Schwarz
Recording Secretary