CHRIST CHURCH IN THE CITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK
MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 14, 2025 VESTRY MEETING

Approved

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

MEMBERS PRESENT: Joanna Hollis, Rector; Sheila Cooper; Rector's Warden; Mark McMahon, People's Warden; Meegan Adames; Gordon Arsenoff; Wendy Benjamin; Jonathan Clark; Jim Nichols **STAFF PRESENT:** Rev. Daphne Roberts, Dcn.

DISCIPLESHIP
Opening Prayer was led by Sheila Cooper

Dwelling in the Word *John 2:1-11*

EXECUTIVE SESSION
The Vestry entered Executive Session at 7:40pm, returning to regular session at 8:20pm

STEWARDSHIP
Walk in Love Stewardship Final Update
Sheila Cooper reported that all those who pledged have received a thank you note. We are short of this year's goal by approximately about $20,000.

Handi-Lift Post-Approval Update
Jim Nichols that updated measurements have been taken by Handi-Lift. The project is moving forward and as soon as they have the final drawings, they'll be able to order supplies and begin work. Window replacement is in progress and will be charged to the 2024 budget.

Renewal Works and Annual Meeting
The complete report from the parish Renewal Works team is included in this month's vestry packet. Some of the items from the Renewal Works report will be presented/discussed at the Annual Meeting.

REGULAR BUSINESS
Acceptance of the December 8, 2024 meeting minutes
Mark McMahon moved to accept the minutes of the December 8, 2024 meeting. Jonathan Clark seconded. The motion carried without objection.

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 requested prayers for his overall health.

- Jim Nichols requested prayers for our country, and to remember prayers for less fortunate.
- Rev. Joanna offered her thanks for everyone's prayers for her sister who will be returning to Bermuda soon.
- Wendy Benjamin will be retiring and requested prayers for her next chapter.
- Sheila Cooper requested prayers as she prepares for her next interview for a new position.
- Terry Ann requested prayers for her husband who is now suffering from seizures.

Key Topics

1. **Each member of the Vestry shared their gratitude for the service of Wendy Benjamin and Sheila Cooper, who are rotating off.**
2. **The Vestry reviewed the Renewal Works Report which presented us with opportunities to enrich our spiritual life together. One idea we encourage you to try this month is to use Taking Faith Home at least one night this week to reflect on the scriptures for the week.**
3. **The Vestry extends an invitation to all and encourages all to attend the Annual Meeting on Feb. 2, 2025, after the 9:30 am service.**

Closing prayer was led by Sheila Cooper.

The meeting was adjourned by Rev. Hollis at 9:20pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Terry Ann Schwarz
Recording Secretary