**St. Monica’s Episcopal Church**

Vestry Meeting for February 21, 2019

**Present**: The Very Rev. Eric Cooter, Rector; Matt Devlin, Senior Warden; Tom Cote (phone conference call), Junior Warden; Janet Ross, Treasurer; Doug Ball, Clerk of Vestry; Carol Hedman; Sarah Meadow (phone conference call); Sharon Sparrow.

Michael Kennedy—excused; Stuart Wisnom—excused.

**Call to Order**

* Fr. Eric called the meeting to order and started with an opening prayer.
* The Vestry recited the Vestry Covenant before the business meeting. Brief discussion followed about how well we are following the covenant.

**Approval of the Minutes**

* Tom moved, Janet seconded the motion to approve the Vestry minutes for January as amended; motion passed.

**Treasurer’s Report**

* With the very recent transition from our former bookkeeper to our new comptroller, the bank account reconciliations are still in progress; hence, no Treasurer’s Report will be available for this meeting, but will be forthcoming.

**Other Reports**

* Rector’s Report (as filed)
* Senior Warden’s Report—Matt informed the Vestry that the church lighting issue brought about by lightening has been resolved.

**Resolution of Gratitude**

* The Rector moved, Doug seconded the motion that the Vestry give Matt their sincere gratitude for his service to God and St Monica’s in his capacity for nine out of the last 10 years; motion passed.
* Junior Warden’s Report—the roofs of both the church and parish hall will be power-washed in the next couple of weeks.

**Executive Session**

* Matt moved, Tom seconded the motion for the Vestry to go into executive session for discussion. Motion passed.
* Matt moved, Janet seconded the motion to come out of executive session; motion passed.

**The Budget for 2019**

* It was announced that the Budget Committee has approved the changes to the budget; therefore, Tom moved, Sharon seconded the motion to accept the budget changes. Motion passed.

**The Endowment Enabling Resolution**

* Doug moved, Tom seconded the motion to approve the wording change in the Enabling Resolution. Motion passed with one nay. The Clerk of Vestry will notify the Endowment Committee of the change.
* The recommended endowment distribution from the Endowment Committee scheduled for a Vestry motion has been tabled and referred to the Local Mission & Service Commission for review.

**Goal Setters, Inc. Contract**

* Janet moved, Tom seconded the motion to raise the rental facility use by the Goal Setter, Inc. to $400.00 a month; motion passed.

**Delegates to Diocesan Convention**

* Fr. Eric asked the Vestry members who would like to be a delegate from St. Monica’s

to Diocesan Convention on October 18 & 19, 2019. Tom Cote, Donna Cote, Doug Ball responded that they would, and Matt Devlin will be the alternate.

**Vestry Meeting Changes for April, May, and June**

* Fr. Eric asked the Vestry members if the Vestry meeting for the months noted above could be changed to the fourth Thursday of the month. Vestry agreed.

**Mutual Ministry Review**

* The Rector and Vestry discussed the results of the questionnaire for the Mutual Ministry Review; time for this meeting was extended by motion so the Vestry could the discussion.
* Being that there was no more business to discuss, Janet, moved, Matt seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting; motion passed.

**Addendum to the Vestry Meeting (after the Annual Meeting)**

* At the Vestry Retreat held on March 2, 2019, some Vestry business was conducted.

**Vestry Officers**

* Rector has appointed Tom Cote to be the new Senior Warden
* The vestry elected Ray LaPierre as the new Junior Warden; Doug Ball as the Clerk of Vestry, and Janet Ross as the Treasurer.
* Fr. Eric announced that he and Tom would like everyone’s first and second preference for commission duties for 2019 to be turned in by March 9.
* The Vestry agreed that the third Thursday of each month will remain Vestry meeting night except for April, May, and June.
* Janet moved, Sharon seconded the motion for the Vestry to approve the Parochial Report; motion passed.
* Janet moved, Ray seconded the motion that she, Janet Ross, Tom Cote, Ray LaPierre, and the Rector, Eric Cooter, be signatories for the checking account. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Doug Ball, Clerk of Vestry