

**St. John's Episcopal Church Vestry**  
**23 June 2024**

Present: Jeff Bates, Pamela Brittain, Tom Brzeczek, Alice Burnham, Bill Cheney, David Dennehy, Bob Dunn (Treasurer), Diane Gustafson, Rev. Roger Haenke, Alex Valdez-Beer, Lynn Young

Rev. Roger Haneke called the meeting to order at 10:26 a.m.

Appreciation was expressed for Debbie Lothspeich for her leadership of the Quilt Ministry and for the people behind-the-scenes working on the Italian Dinner. Continued prayers are offered for the National Church Convention and for Bishop Curry's renewed health.

David Dennehy moved, Lynn Young seconded approval of the Consent Agenda (May Vestry minutes, Rector's Operational Report for May, and Outreach Committee report for June). The motion passed unanimously.

Bob Dunn gave the Treasurer's report. Both revenues and expenses for the month are unfavorable but YTD are favorable. The Property maintenance Reserve Fund has a balance of \$6000.

**OLD BUSINESS**

The Capital Campaign now totals \$135,375, which is 27% of goal. Pamela Brittain suggested putting the Capital Campaign pledge into the Stewardship packet in the Fall.

Tom Brzeczek reported for the Property Committee. McKee (property management firm) will help as needed for small projects, but a separate contract will be needed for large projects.

Rev. Roger Haenke continues to get input from young adults concerning a non-liturgical gathering.

In November 2022 the Vestry were notified that David Mount (husband of Diane Vasquez and brother-in-law of Mike Vasquez) wanted to donate five plots in El Camino Memorial Park. Jeff Bates and Rev. Roger Haenke have been following up on this seeking a quit-

claim deed. The value of the plots is estimated to be \$60,000-\$80,000.

Mr. Mount's family wishes to make the plots available to those who cannot afford a burial plot. Rev. Roger will ask if five Columbarium niches could be assigned for this purpose with the balance going to the church for the Capital Campaign.

#### NEW BUSINESS

The Reverend Michael Kaehr has made significant contributions to St. John's such as overseeing the rebuilding of the church following the fire, giving the courtyard fountain and later refurbishing it, plus donations for live-streaming, the Columbarium, and the Capital Campaign. Lynn Young moved, David Dennehy seconded to assign a day to recognize Rev. Kaehr with a reception and a recognition plaque for the Narthex, possibly with a portrait. Jane Ferguson will be asked to serve on a subcommittee to plan the event.

David Dennehy moved, Alice Burnham seconded to table the discussion and vote on the Endowment Income/Proceeds (% of income to be reinvested) until the Finance Committee makes a recommendation (two more quarters, approximately six months). The motion passed unanimously.

The Finance Committee moved, Alice Burnham seconded approval of Resolution 2024.0623.01. The fire damage resulting from the roof replacement has been repaired. We received \$30,468.15 from our Church Insurance Agency and a donation. The total expense to repair the fire damage was \$33,975.00. There is a net of \$3,506.83 of the fire repair expense.

The Finance Committee discussed and recommends that we use the Property Reserve Fund to pay off the remaining fire repair expenses. The Property Reserve Fund has a balance of \$6000.

**Resolved,** The Finance Committee recommends that St. John's Vestry approve using the Property Reserve Fund to pay the remaining fire repair expenses of \$3,506.83 (over what was received from our Church Insurance Agency and donation).

The motion passed unanimously.

Active termites in a column in the walkway and wood rot on a beam in Nale Hall have been discovered. Experts have presented options for dealing with these issues. Tom Brzeczek moved, Jeff Bates seconded to have DKS cut out and replace the damaged post and prime and paint the beam. Cost for labor and materials \$2,845. The motion passed unanimously.

Lynn Young moved, Alex Valdez-Beer seconded to use the balance in the Property Reserve Fund for the work by DKS. The amount remaining to be paid will come from another source determined by Treasurer Bob Dunn and Rev. Roger Haenke.

The last Sunday in July is devoted to Choir Appreciation. Therefore, the Vestry meeting will be held on Sunday, July 21.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Diane Gustafson, Clerk of Vestry