

Grace Episcopal Church
Vestry meeting
February 13, 2019

Present:

Jane Crane, warden
Tom Tyner, warden
Julie Shryock, development
Martin Garthwaite, Place for Grace
Darrin Gemmer, Place for Grace-elect
Deborah Schenk, treasurer
Daphne , warden-elect
Don Warkentin, lay leadership development
Lynette Baisch, HR and clerk pro tem
Chuck Bombardier, at-large (arrived 6:46pm)

The meeting convened at 6:23pm following eucharist and a St. Valentine story.

The vestry voted to approve the minutes of the January 16, 2019, vestry meeting.

The vestry discussed how to allocate an anticipated 2018 surplus. At the treasurer's recommendation, the vestry voted to allocate any surplus as follows: first, fund up to two years' allocation to the sabbatical reserve, then direct up to \$8,687 to capital reserves, with any remaining surplus directed to operating reserves.

The vestry discussed ideas for adjusting the proposed 2019 budget to address a projected \$5,418 surplus. Options included addressing the plowing expense necessitated by recent weather, other road improvements, outreach, and decreases to projected revenue sources. The vestry agreed to increase the line item for outreach to \$15,000 (an increase of \$350), reduce projected rental income to \$8,000, and add \$3,068 to the roads budget. With that change, the vestry voted to approve the budget as proposed.

The vestry discussed the challenge of meeting the congregation's desire for regular weekly youth programming.

The vestry discussed setting a separate meeting to discuss the question of the chapel reserve, and agreed to set a date and time at the March vestry meeting.