

**Minutes of 2009 Annual Meeting of Vestry
Sunday 21 February 2010**

Chair: The Reverend Brad Smith, Rector

Clerk: Cathie Vick

Present: Sandra John, Joan M Brant, Beatrice Brant, Bernice Maracle, Lynn Wilson, Ken Barnhardt, Carla Barnhardt, Myrtle Brant, Viola Brant, Patricia Brant, Charles Brant, Paul Robertson, Edgar Tumak, John Hall, Margaret Hall, William J Brant, Marilyn A Brant, Ann Brant, Doug Green, Billie Green, Kim Maracle, Marilyn Janssens, Margie Anderson, Laurie Perry, Bev Hill, Madeline Forman, Wilma Maracle, Gail Clement, Edith Green, Shirley Brant, Audrey Brant, Keith Sero, Winston Brant, Tammy Doreen, Shirley Maracle, Dave Wilson

1. OPENING PRAYER
The Rector opened the meeting with prayer at 10:20 a.m.
2. APPOINTMENT OF VESTRY CLERK
Cathie Vick volunteered to be the Clerk of the Vestry for this meeting.
3. MEMORIALS
A moment of silence was observed for the members of the Parish who died in 2009.
4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Moved by Ann Brant, seconded by Marilyn Brant, that this Vestry approve the agenda of the 2009 Annual Meeting of Vestry. **Carried.**
5. APPROVAL OF 2008 ANNUAL VESTRY MINUTES
Moved by Edgar Tumak, seconded by Doug Green, that this Vestry accept the minutes of the 2008 Annual Meeting of Vestry, held on 15 February 2009. There was some discussion before the question was called. Edgar Tumak asked if the \$10,000 of New England Co grant funds had been spent in any way for the development of programs in Christian Education, pastoral care training, etc as authorised at the 2008 Vestry Meeting. This money had not been spent on specific programs but has begun to be pooled. There are two reasons for this: 1. Some of the programs have been funded through regular operating funds and 2. Spending the New England money at this point would result in a large increase to our share of Common Ministry and Mission. A second question about the rental rates and policies for the QAPC was asked. At the time of Vestry this work had not been completed but will be in 2010. **Carried.**
6. VESTRY REPORTS
Moved by Marilyn Janssens, seconded by Shirley Maracle, that this Vestry accept the Reports to Vestry as presented. Discussion: John Hall orally delivered his report to Vestry. Brad noted that the Love in Action annual report would be included in the next edition of *By The Way*. **Carried.**
7. FINANCIAL REPORTS/BUDGETS
Moved by Paul Robertson, seconded by Pat Brant, that this Vestry receive the 2009 Financial Statements as presented. The Vestry reviewed and discussed the reports. Edgar Tumak asked that the financial statements show both budget and actual columns for the last and next-to-past years for comparison. This will be adopted in the 2010 Financial Statements.

Marilyn Brant inquired about the high rates for the QAPC phone. The Parish requires a phone in the QAPC and because it is not a residence, the Parish must pay business rates. The Wardens will be tasked with investigating the plan and rates we have in the QAPC. Joan Brant noted that the financial statement only showed utilities as a lump sum and asked if the amount paid for hydro and oil could be broken out in separate lines. This can be done for 2010. Paul Robertson noted that the financial statement indicated that there would be explanatory notes for the "Other" line in both revenue and expenditure sections, but these were omitted. Brad provided an explanation for the "Other" lines which in both cases represented cash flow for the trip to the ROM in Nov 2009 and merchandise bought for the 225th anniversary celebration. With the amendment that the 2010 Financial Statement reflect the formatting changes noted above, the 2009 Financial Statement was accepted. **Carried.**

Moved by Pat Brant, seconded by Lynn Wilson, that the 2010 Vision for Mission and Ministry be approved as presented. The Vision for Mission and Ministry continues to replace a line-item budget as a more appropriate instrument of communicating our vision for who we are and who we want to be as a community of faith. Although there were objections to the absence of the traditional line-item budget, the Vestry was reminded that the Parish Corporation must still prepare a line-item budget and use it to manage the day-to-day business of the Parish. The Vision for Mission and Ministry (also known as a Narrative Budget) is a governance tool that conveys a narrative of the goals the Parish hopes to achieve in the next year. It contains within it the same information as the line-item budget but it presents the information in a different way. The general trend in the Anglican Church of Canada is to present budgets to governing bodies in this format as they better reflect the role of Vestries, Synods etc. Paul asked if a reporting of volunteer hours in the Parish would be presented. This is a very difficult task to accomplish—in the immediate future there are no plans to track volunteer hours because of the amount of work required. **Carried.**

8. ELECTIONS/APPOINTMENTS

The Chair announced the Rector's appointment of Wm J. Brant as Rector's Warden for All Saints' and Doug Green as Rector's Warden for Christ Church.

Moved by Marilyn Brant, seconded by Sandra John, that nominations be opened. **Carried.**

The following nominations were made and accepted:

(All Saints') People's Warden: Beverley Hill; Lay Delegates to Synod: Marlene Brant Castellano, Brian Branchaud, *Vacant* (alternate); Parish Council Members-at-Large: Shirley Maracle, Pat Brant, Marilyn Brant.

(Christ Church) People's Warden: Tammy Doreen; Lay Delegates to Synod: Cathie Vick, Paul Robertson, Doug Green (alternate); Parish Council Members-at-Large: Kim Maracle, Keith Sero, *Vacant*.

Moved by Patricia Brant, seconded by Wilma Maracle, that nominations be closed. **Carried**

As there was no need for an election, the slate of candidates was acclaimed as nominated.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

Paul Robertson noted that the Lower Burial Ground Society in Kingston (which tends to the graveyard where Mollie Brant is buried) had requested donations to assist with restoration.

Marilyn Brant moved sending \$500 to the Society. Seconded by Ann Brant. **Carried.**

Shirley Maracle moved that a committee be formed to oversee the operation of the QAPC. Seconded by Bev Hill. As the buildings are already the responsibility of the Churchwardens, it was suggested that the four Wardens form the committee with advice from Parish Council on the creation of a set of guidelines and a rental rate. **Carried.**

10. ADJOURNMENT AND CLOSING PRAYER

Moved by William J Brant that this Vestry stand in adjournment. **Carried.** The meeting concluded at 12:20 p.m. with the Rector leading a closing prayer and all saying the Grace.

Original signed by

The Rev'd Brad Smith
Chair of the Vestry

Original signed by

Cathie Vick
Clerk of the Vestry