**St. John’s Vestry**

**Minutes of the Vestry Meeting**

**February 15, 2022**

**Virtual Meeting via Zoom**

**In attendance:** Rev. Rob Stevens, Chuck Silva, Gerry Simpkins, Jeff Croteau, Randy Philbrick, Lizzie Bristow, Andy Bangs, Rebecca Hennessy, Tom Gruen, Kelly Boston, and Steve Falci.

**Absent:** Rev. Anne Williamson, Ellie Sanderson, John Bolduc, Ally Dudas and Veronique Doherty

**At 7:04 Chuck called the meeting to order**

**1. Approval of Minutes from January 22, 2022, meeting**

*Motion to approve the minutes was made by Gerry and seconded by Kelly.* **Vote:** *All in favor.*

**1. Building update: (Gerry)**

* Gerry reported that exterior brickwork is completed, and both the Fire Marshall walk-through and elevator inspection went well. The ramp, stairs and patio will be completed in the spring, and he will be receiving bids on these remaining projects.

**2. Finance update: (Kelly)**

* Kelly will provide a full report in March but provided an update on the building expenditures and capital campaign.
  + Subgroup of building committee met to review the expenditures vs. the budget amount. With $950,000 budgeted, estimated completion costs are $963,000.
  + Kelly, Rob, and Michelle are meeting to review capital campaign pledges and actual money received. Rob noted that the news was good with $1,440,000 pledges, $1,460,000 received and only $42,000 outstanding. There were also $96,000 in non-pledge gifts.
* Jeff noted that having such success in a capital campaign that commenced as COVID hit and completing the building so close to budget as inflation accelerated are strong accomplishments.

**3. Stewardship update: (Rob and Chuck)**

* Rob reported that we have 229 pledges for $528,136 for 2022 pledge campaign, with progress towards our goal of 300 pledges and $550k. Rob noted that this was good given where we are in life and that the community has come through.

**4. Clergy Updates: (Rob)**

* Rob noted that Anne and Jen McPherson were away on well-deserved vacations as the staff has been working extremely hard. Rob, Ashley, and Olin led a family town hall after church on Sunday to receive input from parents on ministries. Anne and Rob will be leading a program in Lent entitled *Walk in Love*, an overview of what it means to be a part of our church and to be an Episcopalian. The program will be offered twice on Sundays, after the 10:00 service and again at 6:00, just prior to Compline at 7:00. Rob continues to look for the right person to join our community as Associate Rector.

**Closing prayer: Rob offered a prayer to end our meeting****.**

**Meeting adjourned: 7:45PM**