

Zion Episcopal Church
Annual Congregational Meeting Minutes
January 15, 2023

- I. Opening Prayer: Fr. Dean called the meeting to order at 10:15am and began with a prayer. He then read a note to the congregation from Bishop Cowden. Bishop is aware of deep division in the church and promises to help Zion work through and heal from these issues.
- II. January 23, 2022 Meeting Minutes: Tanya Bettinger appointed as secretary for the Annual Meeting. **Motion:** Lee Wilson moved to accept the minutes are presented, Stephanie Harp seconded the motion. All in favor the minutes are accepted on record.
- III. Rectors Report (Fr. Dean): Fr. Dean read his Rector's Report which was a separate document and not included in the meeting program (electronic copy on file).
Motion: Kenny Floyd moved to accept the Rector's Report, seconded by Patsy Noland. All in favor, the Rector's Report is accepted on the record.
- IV. Wardens' Reports: The Wardens' reports are located on pages 7 through 10 of the annual meeting program.
 - Richard Seckinger referred everyone to his written report. He offered a special thanks to the Junior Wardens (current and past) during his time as Senior Warden.
 - Kenny Floyd referred everyone to his written report, highlighting some areas regarding work being done at the Rectory.**Motion:** Patsy Noland moved to accept the Wardens' Reports as presented, seconded by Lee Wilson. All in favor, the Wardens' Reports are accepted on the record.
- V. Recognition:

Outgoing Vestry Members: Fr. Dean recognized and thanked the outgoing Vestry members for all their work over the last few years. They have experienced a wide variety of challenges and have remained whole. He honors their service and looks forward to their leadership roles outside of Vestry. Gratitude and thanks given to:

 - Kenny Floyd
 - Richard Seckinger
 - Betsy Wells
 - Lee Wilson

Employees: Fr. Dean recognized and thanked each of the following Zion employees.

 - Director of Music Ministries – Tom Lang
 - Housekeeper – Chastity Baker (Chastity was brought on as an employee this year)
 - Sexton – William (Bill) Myers
 - Parish Administrator – Tanya Bettinger
- VI. Vestry Nominees for Class of 2024 and 2025
 - Alice Ellis
 - Kenny Floyd
 - J.T. Foust
 - Greg Harp
 - Richard Seckinger
 - Jamie Wilson

Fr. Dean presented the nominee slate and the floor was opened for nominations of additional Vestry candidates. Eric Bettinger was nominated by Kenny Floyd – Eric accepted and a vote was held. Eric Bettinger did not win the nomination; the Vestry slate remains as presented. **Motion:** Rebecca Custer moved to approve the nominees as presented, seconded by Lee Wilson. All in favor, the motion carried.

VII. Election of Delegates to the Diocesan Convention:

- Neale Delaney
- Ken Fanelli
- Randy Hilton
- Richard Seckinger (alternate)

Fr. Dean presented the Convention delegates and opened the floor for nominations. None were presented. **Motion:** Kenny Floyd moved to approve the delegates as presented, seconded by Linda Work. All in favor, the motion carried.

VIII. Approval of Keyman: Fr. Dean appointed the Greg Harp Family as Keyman for 2023. **Motion:** Patsy Noland moved to approve the appointment of the Greg Harp Family as Keyman. Eric Bettinger seconded. All in favor, the Greg Harp Family continue as Keyman for Zion.

IX. Treasurers Report (Pledges) – Jim Ruddy:

Jim had an update to the number of pledges that was recorded in the meeting program on page 13. The new information, to date on 1/15/23 is 53 pledges have been received totaling \$148,600.00. This number is way below what was expected. There is more work to be done.

X. Finance:

No one from the Finance Committee was in attendance to review the proposed budget for 2023 which is located on page 14 of the meeting program. Fr. Dean asked for an adoption of the budget as presented, noting that the budget will need to be modified based on the number of pledges received (much less than expected). **Motion:** Greg Harp moved to accept the budget as presented, seconded by Randy Hilton. All in favor the motion carried.

XI. Other Business – None presented.

XII. Closing Prayer – Fr. Dean closed the meeting with a prayer.

XIII. Adjournment – Motion: Lee Wilson moved to end the meetings, seconded by Patsy Noland. The meeting adjourned at 11:04am.

Competent voters shall be:

All baptized persons who have attained the age of sixteen years, and who for the last three (3) months have been regular worshipers in the parish or Organized Mission and regular contributors to its support, or by some method which they shall be known to the Treasurer of the Vestry, and relied upon as such.