

ALL SOULS EPISCOPAL CHURCH
VESTRY MEETING MINUTES
Date: September 17, 2023
Location: Conference Room & Via Zoom

Attendance:		Present?	Absent?
Sr. Warden	Embry Howell	x	
Jr. Warden	Daniel Callis	x	
Treasurer	Will Stewart (also vestry member Class of 2025)	x	
Class of 2026	vEnessa Acham	x	
	Kurt Jacobs	x	
	Lisa Watson	x	
Class of 2025	Ryan Burwinkel	x	
	James Lewis	x	
Class of 2024	Cynthia Evans	x	
	John Longstreth	x	
	Art Warren	x	

The meeting was called to order at 12:47 pm and began with prayer.

Items	Discussion	Action
Approval of Minutes for August 20, 2023 Meeting	The draft minutes were read and reviewed.	The draft minutes were approved unanimously with one typographical error corrected.
Review of August 2023 Financial Report	The Treasurer reported that we are slightly ahead of budget, some of which is attributable to pledge payments made earlier in the year than budgeted.	The report was received with thanks for Will's careful work.
Discussion of Building Improvement And Garden Issues	Jeff Wells reported that the roofing work is largely completed, the copper and flashing is done (with 20-gauge copper) and it should last 80-90 years. The initial work order did not include the bell tower, and we have received a change order contract for \$85,300 to do that work. There is enough left in the draw of up to \$550,000 from endowment funds already approved to cover this, but in an abundance	The motion to authorize the draw of up to an additional \$85,300, if necessary, to cover the additional roof work was second and approved unanimously.

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	<p>of caution a motion was made to authorize the draw of up to an additional \$85,300 if necessary to cover this and any additional work. The Finance Committee will determine if the draw is necessary.</p> <p>As to the garden, it will cost about \$2800 to remove the dead cherry and replace it with a new tree. The money is in the current budget. The Garden committee will discuss how to match the new tree to what is already on the block using a native tree species.</p> <p>The garden committee will arrange the pruning of some groundcover so as not to encourage the rat population. We will also get advice from a consulting civil engineer on how to handle the continuing flooding problem. A tarp has been put up. Flood doors are too expensive to be feasible.</p>	
Other Business	vEnessa Acham and Sarah Spencer have agreed to serve as the parish's lay delegates to the Diocesan Convention in January, and Elwood Gibson and Nancy Morgan have agreed to serve as alternates.	The vestry thanked Cynthia Evans for her work on this.

The meeting went into an executive session at 1:25 p.m. to discuss the rector search. The meeting adjourned with a concluding prayer at 2:57 PM.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for October 15, 2023.

Respectfully submitted: John Longstreth