

## Council Meeting – March 1, 2021

Meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm

### **Attendees:**

Mary Crawford

Rev Bernard

Rev Thomas

Andrew Cummings

Britta Lerner

Eric Braun

Bayard Dodge

Woody Bliss

John Moran

Walter McCullough

Anne Troxell

Dave Lummis

Mary Peniston

Taffy Miller

Matt Carrothers

Steve Coursen

Jourdan Coursen

Shivanthi Edwards

We read the church covenant and Thomas led us in an opening devotional from the book of Numbers.

Minutes of last month's meeting were approved, pending a correction and seconded.

### Minister's Report

The Annual Meeting was well attended, Mary Peniston in particular was recognized for all her patience throughout the meeting.

Thomas reported that the youth are leading meetings. Taffy suggested reaching out to next year's confirmands earlier in the process.

### Stewardship

The idea of an online auction was discussed, with all proceeds to benefit Norfield.

### Treasurer's Report

There was nothing to report based on January's financials.

### Administrator's Report

Norfield received the second PPP loan. Skip donated \$8K in labor towards the Mike Tine room.

The trustees did not reach a conclusion on the HVAC proposal. Council would like to see the proposal from Trustees before they vote.

### Trustees Report

Welcome to Woody as new chair. Woody further elaborated on the HVAC proposal and described the various committees within Trustees e.g. revenue, expense, investment committee etc.

### Reimagine Norfield

The members at large, Deacons leadership, clergy and staff discussed the viability of opening the sanctuary for services. The consensus was that we would be restricted due to social distancing, outdoor services would maximize attendance. Council decided to resume lawn services as soon as the weather permits, *possibly on **Sunday, March 14th***, but *no later than **Palm Sunday, March 28th***. We will continue our virtual services as well.

### CE

A big thank you to Penny and Thomas for the amazing Zoom service.

### Nominating

We still have two open auditor positions.

### Deacons

We welcomed Matt as chair. Board has three open positions.

### Fellowship

The "Love Train" was well received.

### HR

Bernard appreciated Jourdan reaching out to staff for support.

The meeting ended with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Shivanthi Edwards