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Summary Minutes – Vestry Meeting St. Paul’s Episcopal Church		
Tuesday, 11 May 2021	6:30 PM	Zoom
Meeting called by	Kurt Wiesner	
Type of meeting	Regularly Scheduled Vestry	
Facilitator	Kurt Wiesner	
Note taker	Russ Pack	
Attendees	Kurt Wiesner, Kristy Muday, Lori Morris, Melissa Wank, Dianne Franz, David Reed, Meg Brady, Herman Beck, Marshall Wright, Philip Baese, William Grua, Peggy McCray, Danielle Lankford, Clare Julian, Chris Zarek, and Russ Pack	

Agenda Item 1 – Gathering and Reflection	
	Kurt Wiesner
	Kurt read and facilitated a conversation on an excerpt from Stephanie Spellers’ <u>The Church Cracked Open</u> .
	Kurt reported that Christopher Puckett has asked to resign from Vestry.

Agenda Item 2 – Treasurer’s Report	
	Melissa Wank
	<p>Melissa provided the 30 April 2021 financial report with the following discussion:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) The \$60,000 endowment distribution is shown on the financials; however, corrections need to be made on the entry. Melissa has met with our accountants to discuss this error along with other entry errors and recurring problems.2) The Preschool Capital Fund has been trued up.3) Expenses reflect payment on the approved HVAC repairs and the 2nd floor flooring.4) The fixed assets section on the financials needs to be amended to reflect current values. The finance subcommittee is meeting to determine what needs to be done to ensure accurate values.5) Kurt, Selma, Kristy, and Melissa will meet to discuss concerns with the errors on the financial reports that our accounting firm prepares.

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Agenda Item 3 – Rector’s Report	
	Kurt Wiesner
	<p>Kurt reported on the return to in-person services and tentative dates/activities:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Comments from those attending the first outdoor services have been favorable. Social distancing and mask use remain in place. Reservations are required to ensure adequate distancing.2) Vestry members who have attended the in-person services provided their comments and experiences, including logistical issues with outdoor setup.3) The subcommittee reviewing potential indoor services provided a verbal report on its progress and recommendations.4) A <u>tentative</u> timeline includes continuing the 8:00 Zoom service, a 9:30 in-person service, and an 11:00 in-person service with a possible date of resuming indoor services beginning July 4 subject to continued improvement on the pandemic.

Agenda Item 4 - Development of Community Garden, Expanded Drop-Off Zone, and Lot Expansion	
	Chris Zarek
	<p>Chris Zarek provided a preliminary/draft planimetric view of the proposed new parking lot, landscaping, and other improvements immediately north of the existing parking lot:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) The landscaping is water-conscious in terms of design and plant selection.2) The plan will now allow for cost estimates by independent and potential contractors/bidders.3) The plan shows the demolition of the two houses as previously discussed. While the City Planning Division and Community Council will likely be concerned with the loss of housing, the plan does advance other programs that the City is encouraging such as a community garden.4) The plan includes several community garden plots on an area immediately east of the existing sidewalks and running parallel with the existing and proposed expanded parking lot.5) One concern will be buffering the abutting private property immediately north of the proposed parking lot. The landscape

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	<p>plan addresses that concern with a screen of trees or other plantings.</p> <p>6) The west perimeter of the plots incorporates plantings to provide additional screening and aesthetics, to include Knockout roses, spirea, and perennial grasses. Additional plantings include an Eastern Redbud and low-water perennials.</p> <p>A discussion ensued including the following items and topics:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) The approach of community gardens is one that is consistent with the mission of the church and further reinforces the activities of the Food Pantry.2) Costs still need to be determined. The plans are adequate now to obtain costs associated with the lot and related improvements. Costs associated with demolishing the two houses need to be updated.3) What is the funding source for this project? Will a capital funds program be required?4) The aesthetics for the garden plots is being addressed. The plan does include a border of screening plants, but are there other issues to be considered? Fencing similar to that used by Wasatch Community Gardens?5) What are the opportunity costs associated with the proposed demolition of the two houses? What is the value of the houses “as-is” and has that been updated based on the current SLC housing market?6) Could the houses be leased to another agency to provide low-income housing?7) Could one home be sold to provide funds to repair the remaining house? [The issues with subdividing the lot and shared driveway were discussed and a history from the FFA provided.]8) The community garden plots will be governed by the parish and not by an outside group. Details and a plan to do so are needed.9) When the preliminary community garden/landscape and related plans are in a more detailed form they need to be presented to the parish.10) The expanded lot will need to have an area for delivery trucks so that access and circulation are not compromised.11) The Planning Commission will need to continue reviewing the proposal as part of a public process, including hearings.

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Agenda Item 5 – Subcommittee Reports	
	Kurt
	Kurt recommended that the meeting be adjourned because of the lateness of the hour and consequently that subcommittee reports be deferred. Several subcommittees have already submitted written reports. Reporting templates are in process as well. Are there other means of reporting to the Vestry?

Agenda Item 6 - Adjournment	
	Kurt
	The meeting was adjourned with prayer at 9PM