

Church of the Epiphany
Special Vestry Meeting
January 21, 2007

Attendees: Father Robin, Father Luke, Charlie Monroe, Mary McReynolds

Vestry members in attendance:

Chad Krukowski
Margaret Stromberg
Ted Gregg
Jan Welch
Mark Oliphant
Larry Pantzer
Murray Black
Andy Plummer
Ross Cummings
Dave Reed
Scott Reiter
Kevin Holmes
Ralph Morris
Sally McNeely

1:02 Call to order by Father Robin. Robin indicated that both the Parish and the clergy have been accepted into CANA.

Vestry Oath discussion – A discussion occurred regarding the wording of the Vestry Oath, specifically Section II which references marriage as a lifelong relationship. The concern is whether or not someone who has been divorced and remarried would not be able to sign the Oath. Scott Reiter made a motion to add the word “intended as” in front of the word “lifelong”. Ross Cummings seconded the motion and it was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Articles discussion – There are phrases in the Articles of Incorporation that use the term Anglican, Episcopal. The question raised was whether or not to modify the Articles. Mary indicated that changes to the Articles are more formal in that they must be filed with the state. Therefore, the recommendation was made by Mary that we should wait and make any changes to the Articles at one time rather than item by item.

Documents – The Vestry then signed the three documents: Vestry Oath, Confidentiality agreement and Conflict of Interest Policy.

Adoption of new By-Laws - A motion was made by Jan Welch to have the Vestry adopt the new By-Laws and assume and continue all operations of the unincorporated church to the incorporated church. The motion was seconded by Margaret Stromberg and approved by unanimous voice vote.

Deeds – Mary indicated that the law that changed a few years ago to allow the churches to incorporate means that deeds held previously by Trustee’s can now be held by the Corporation. This will be done for Epiphany as well.

New By-laws – A concern was raised that the explanation of the differences in the old and new by-laws may have been confusing to the congregation in the annual meeting held earlier today. A decision was made that Kevin Holmes and David Reed would prepare a summary of the differences to be posted on the website to help clarify this understanding.

Appointment of new Vestry members - A motion was made by Larry Pantzer to appoint Ross Cummings and Dave Reed to serve out the remaining terms of the resigning Vestry members. The motion was seconded by Ted Gregg and approved by unanimous voice vote.

Adjournment – A motion to adjourn was made by Larry Pantzer with a second by Jan Welch and approved by unanimous voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 2:45 pm.

Minutes for the meeting, January 21, 2007

Minutes prepared by Sally McNeely substituting for Larry Pantzer, Registrar.

Version – Approved