

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church
Vestry Meeting
April 15, 2020

The on-line Vestry meeting was called to order by Rev. Reed Loy, acting as Chair. He reminded the vestry that the purpose of this meeting was to consider and vote on whether or not to apply through our TD Bank for a Paycheck Protection Program loan under the CARES Act. To also decide whether or not to accept the offer from the Episcopal Diocese of New Hampshire to forgive 2 months of diocesan assessments.

The meeting opened in prayer led by Rev. Loy.

Those in attendance were:

Rev. Reed Loy, Anne McCausland, Senior Warden, Clarke Kidder, Junior Warden, Kerrie Diers, Treasurer, Tom Burack, Peter Daley, Lucy Crichton, Audrey Knight, Betty Whinn, Diane Les Becquets, Steve Largy, Betsy Wilder, Brian Tucker and Pam Manus, Clerk.

Pledges: Calls made by Vestry members and Rev. Loy to a random sampling of parishioners supported the feeling that parishioners felt they would be able to honor their pledges. The Vestry felt that much depended on the length of time that the COVID 19 restrictions were in place. Betty Whinn stated that as a part of the Stewardship Committee for a number of years, she has seen the depth of love and commitment the parishioners have for St. Andrew's. This has kept the parish strong and alive through previous rough times.

PPP: The discussion about the Paycheck Protection Program was again faithful and honest. After all had a chance to ask questions and give opinions, Anne McCausland moved that the Vestry authorize our Treasurer, Kerrie Diers, to act as our agent, moving forward with an application for a loan in accordance with the terms of the Paycheck Protection Program offered under the CARES Act. This motion was seconded by Clarke Kidder who asked for a roll call vote. This vote was taken. This motion passed with 10 yes, 2 no, and 1 abstention. Kerrie Diers will complete the paper work and submit it to TD Bank.

Diocesan Assessment: The Diocese's decision to offer 2 months of "fair share" forgiveness was discussed. Rev. Loy reported that the Diocese had

made the determination that they could offer this to all NH parishes and still meet their own needs. Tom Burack moved that the Vestry authorize our Treasurer, Kerrie Diers, to request a 2 month fair share forgiveness from our Diocesan assessment. And that at our November Vestry meeting, our assessment for 2020 be revisited with the purpose of discerning our ability to pay the full amount. This motion was seconded by Steve Largy and a roll call vote followed. There were 13 yes votes, passing this motion unanimously.

Our meeting closed in prayer offered by Lucy Crichton.

Respectfully Submitted
Pam Manus, Clerk.