

**HOLY TRINITY CATHEDRAL  
CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES  
SEPTEMBER 20, 2016**

**PRESENT:**      The Rev. Dale Yardy                      Carla Jones                      Sybil Collett  
                      Susan Stensgaard                      Birgit Petersen                      The Rev. Chris Magrega  
                      Joyce Harwood                      Greg Kennelly                      Don Neilson  
                      Lisa Bouscha-Eta                      The Rev. Carole Neilson

**REGRETS:**      Mikhael Magaril

**CALL TO ORDER:**      Dale called the meeting to order at 7:00 Pm.

**PENING PRAYER:**      Dale opened the meeting with prayer.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**      Carole read a letter from Union Gospel Mission thanking Holy Trinity Cathedral for the use of the parking lot for their small truck. They deeply appreciate having a space off the street.

Discussion	Action
<p><b>APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA</b>            It was moved by Joyce and seconded by Birgit that the Agenda be approved. Carried</p>	
<p><b>APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES</b>            It was moved by Sybil and seconded by Birgit that the Minutes of the June Meeting be approved. Carried</p>	
<p><b>REPORTS</b></p>	
<p><b>A. TREASURER’S (FINANCIAL) REPORT</b>            Dale and the Wardens met with Betty Macdonald to discuss the financial picture. While there has been an increase in giving, expenses have also risen. A stewardship campaign is being planned.            A motion to receive the financial statements was moved by Greg and seconded by Joyce. Carried.</p>	
<p><b>B. WARDENS’ REPORT</b>            Sybil reported that needles around the cathedral grounds continue to be a problem. Pharmacies give out containers for used needles and will take them when full. Everyone who is picking up litter should be aware of the possibility of needles and use extreme caution – litter sticks, bear claws, and heavy gloves.</p>	
<p><b>C. DEACONS’ REPORT</b>  <u>Chris</u> – reported that she had a very good and busy summer.</p>	

<p>The Women's Prayer Group meets all year and is expanding to Tuesday at 5:30 on the fourth Tuesday of each month.</p> <p>She and Carole completed their second year of the Diocesan Leadership course. This course is open to everyone and is highly recommended. Her Home Study Group has grown to nine members.</p> <p>Chris is a member of the Diocesan Ecumenical &amp; Inter-Faith Unit (EMU) which is sponsoring "5 Ways of Engaging the Heart and Spirit" at St. Paul's in Vancouver, beginning October 25.</p> <p>On Sept. 11, Kinsley May Sherdahl was baptized by Chris.</p> <p>Chris has been invited to be the deacon and preacher on Vocations Sunday, Sept. 25, at St. Martin's North Vancouver.</p> <p>Chris is a member of the New Westminster Ministerial Association which is reviewing its Mission Statement.</p> <p>Chris continues her pastoral ministry at Queen's Park where she has undertaken a Bible study session along with her visits to the residents. Annette Martin is in hospice care in Ladner. At present only family and Chris are visiting but cards are most welcome.</p> <p><u>Carole</u> – Carole completed the Diocesan Leadership Course and in talking with a few of the men in the parish, she and Chris are recommending informal conversation with men in the parish to see if they would like to form a 'Men's Group.</p> <p>The Breakfast Club is busy every Thursday.</p> <p>The New Westminster Homelessness Coalition Society's Action Week is Oct. 10-14. HTC is hosting the Connect Day, Oct. 11. We have several volunteers from the parish and the community to assist with hosting. The NWHCS Fund-raising Dinner is Oct. 13. We have sold 12 tickets so far. Two Thursdays a month we have a worship service at Thornbridge Seniors Residence. This is enthusiastically received by the residents and staff. The next Fun Night is scheduled for Oct. 7 at 6:30pm.</p>	
<p><b>D. RECTOR'S REPORT</b></p> <p>Dale thanked the members of Council and the parish for hosting the Wine Shower for Jordan and him. He also thanked everyone for organizing George Ryan's 75<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party.</p> <p>The Altar Guild Manual is ready and will be distributed to the members. Nadine Smith and Geoff Clements have recruited and trained new members.</p> <p>A Stewardship Committee is being formed. A campaign, based on a model developed by Archbishop Douglas Hambidge, will begin in Lent 2017.</p> <p>The Young Adults Group plans to meet once a month for fellowship and study.</p> <p>A group of families with young children have suggested they start a home study group.</p> <p>Signs regarding loitering have been posted around the hall and cathedral grounds. The police have been called and are patrolling when requested. Complaints from our neighbours are taken seriously.</p>	<p>Dale</p>

<p>Oct. 1 --- Dale &amp; Jordan's wedding will be live on Face Book.  In Dales' absence on Oct. 2, the services will be:  8:00am BCP Morning Prayer led by The Rev. Carole Neilson  10:00 am BAS Holy Communion—The Ven Barbara Clay, celebrant</p>	
<b>OLD BUSINESS</b>	
<p><b>A. HALL PAINTING</b>  At this time there are no funds available for painting the exterior of the parish hall.</p>	
<b>NEW BUSINESS</b>	
<p><b>A. BACK FENCE</b>  This is a security issue. It was decided that Dale and the Wardens will research finding heavier fencing wire to prevent transients from cutting it in order to camp.</p>	Dale & the Wardens
<p><b>B. CAPITAL REQUEST: Washroom floors and painting</b>  The floors in the three washrooms need replacing and the walls should be painted. Don moved and Greg seconded that the executive be authorized to spend up to \$2000.00 to replace the floors and paint the walls in the three washrooms. Carried  Note: Any more costs would require the approval of Council.</p>	
<p><b>C. MOVEMENT OF THE HALL</b>  Gerry Stensgaard will be asked to measure the cracks in the hall to see if the building has shifted.</p>	Gerry Stensgaard
<p><b>D. DATES TO REMEMBER:</b>  <b>Nov. 27 – Advent Sunday</b> – The Rev. Neil Fernyhough will be the celebrant at both Services.  <b>Dec. 9 - Pre-Christmas Get Together</b>  A pre-Christmas informal evening of appetizers and wine is planned for Dec. 9.  <b>Dec. 18 – Choir and Regimental Band Presentation</b></p>	
<p><b>DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING</b>  <b>Tues. Oct. 18 at 7:00 pm</b></p>	
<p><b>MOTION TO ADJOURN</b>  Birgit moved the meeting adjourn at 8:05 pm.</p>	
<p><b>NIGHT PRAYER</b>  – The Night Prayer was read by Dale.</p>	