St. Mary's Episcopal Church Lampasas, TX March 26, 2023 Vestry Meeting

I. Call to Order:

Meeting was called to order at 11:10 am with an opening prayer by Rev. Fowler.

II. Attending:

Rev. Fowler, Bill Adams, Paul Wendele, Cindy Harris, Tom Willis, Joe Wooten, Jane McMillin, Garth Davis, Bruce Timmons, Judith Ann McGhee, Katherine Joseph (clerk) and Mike Watson (treasurer)

III. Absent:

n/a

IV. Approval of February '23 Minutes:

The minutes were reviewed and Judith Ann motioned for approval. Cindy was 2nd. The whole vestry approved.

V. Treasurer's Report (Mike Watson):

Deferred to next meeting

VI. Old Business:

Garth will coordinate the removal of the Boy Scout playhouse tear down.

Joe reported that the Alter Guild is getting together the following week to discuss what is needed year-to-year so they can come up with a yearly budget.

VII. New Business:

Concerning the homeless couple that has been sleeping on the picnic tables outside the Parish Hall, Garth spoke to the couple and they agreed to not sleep there anymore. Garth offered help to find them an apartment and funding, but they declined. The vestry had an intense conversation about possible "security" ideas to deter other people from sleeping there. After a lengthy discussion, the vestry agreed to look into new lighting options. Cindy and Mike will come up with a proposal.

Tom brought in examples of the dangers of the existing swing set (rusted, jagged grab bars, etc.). Judith Ann motioned to have it removed and Tom was 2^{nd} . The vestry approved. Tom will coordinate the removal.

The church has hired a new organist. He will begin on Easter Sunday for \$100/week.

VIII. Priest's Report (Rev. Fowler):

Rev. Fowler announced that there will be two Easter Services on April 9th. Katherine and Judith Ann will organize the Easter egg hunt that will happen between the services.

Bishop Hector Monterroso will be visiting the church on April 23rd for one service at 10:00 am. The church will host a brunch after the service.

IX. Sr. Warden Report (Bill Adams):

Nothing to report.

X. Jr. Warden Report (Paul Wendele):

On February 21st, San Saba Fire and Safety inspected and service the fire suppression system in the Parish Hall kitchen, and the dry chemical fire extinguishers throughout the buildings. During their next visit, a wet chemical fire extinguisher for the Parish Hall kitchen will need to be replaced at a cost of a little over \$ 300.00.

Also, on February 21st, ASR Air replaced air filters in the air handling units in all buildings.

XI. Miscellaneous:

Nothing to report.

XII. Adjournment:

- 1. Closed with Prayer.
- 2. Meeting was adjourned at 12:12 pm. The next Vestry meeting will be Sunday, April 23rd @ 11:00 am.