St. John the Divine

Property Committee meeting Minutes

March 17, 2017

Present:Duane Lecky, chair;Tony Barlow, Chuck Neilson, Andy Gates, Sandy Cotton, Anne Moon, minutes. Regrets: Mike Bugslag

Lighting update: Tony presented a list of members of the lighting team, along with its terms of reference. It will go to Parish Council. Tony said there is a lead to a prospective lighting consultant who can help decide on what form of LED lights to use. The current lights are failing and the control panel is inadequate.

Repairs: Chuck reported that flashing on the roof of the Denson Lounge had been damaged in a recent windstorm and was repaired today. Eavestrough leakage over the north east side of the lounge will be investigated.

Chapel refurbishment: Tony's team, led by Rhoda, has completed a list of possible alterations. These including replacing pews with chairs, re-decorating, adding carpet, perhaps replacing the accordion doors. He said there might be a separate report to Parish Council. He suggested parishioners might want to "buy a chair" and there might be a market for unwanted pews. He said his group has visited several churches that have replaced pews with chairs. The idea is to make the space more flexible, for meetings etc.

Iron gate to garden: The gate off Quadra St. is constantly being damaged by "yahoos". It is still out for repair.

We wondered about the "institutional memory" of property management issues and if the Parish Administrator should attend meetings.

There was discussion about reporting responsibility and whether the chair of the Property Committee should sit on Parish Council. Gates is not eligible. It was agreed there should be some sort of formal liaison with Parish Council as Property Committee has large expenditures. Chuck said he often attends and can represent PC.

A plan to replace the exterior signage is on hold. There was a brief discussion about flashier, electronic signs being used to draw an audience for concerts etc.

There was a reminder of the Parish Work Day on April 29. Chuck will provide a notice for the bulletin and a list of jobs. Anne asked that the curb entrance to the north parking lot be repainted.

Next meeting: April 7, 4 p.m.