

Budget & Finance Minutes
October 11, 2016

Present: Phil Hawes, Rev. Aimee Eyer-Delevett, Chip Nichols, Tom Mack, Fred Allen, Sheri Benninghoven, Stephen Schaible, Dwight Coffin, David Telleen-Lawton, Cynthia Breen, Kathleen Winters

Absent: Toni McDonald, George Ittner

The meeting began at 4:21 p.m. with a prayer by Phil Hawes.

Approval of September Minutes

The September minutes were approved with a spelling correction, motioned by Fred Allen and Tom Mack.

Review and Acceptance of September Financials

We are still behind in pledges. All pledgers have been sent their pledge statements for the first 3 quarters of the year and these included a notation asking them to please catch up on their pledges if necessary. There was much discussion about the possibility of sending an additional, personalized letter asking people to please pay their pledge. We may also want to create a "master calendar" that will include pledge items to help us better time our reminders. Financials were accepted, motioned by Sheri Benninghoven and Tom Mack.

Rental Cottage

We have spent a couple thousand dollars on the cottage and Alyson Eyer-Delevett is working very hard on finding out what we need to do to fix the water issue once and for all. We are hoping some of this work will be covered by insurance.

Sanctuary Update

Sheri Benninghoven reported that things are moving along very well and we are confident we will reach \$10,100.00. We are currently at \$9,888,662. Regarding the budget, Bob Easton has gone back to the General Contract and Sub Contractors to request harder numbers for phase 2. We should have those soon.

Stewardship

Stewardship packets are on the way! Pamela Hawes gave a wonderful testimony on Sunday. There will be other speakers over the next 3 weeks. Letters will go out via the Bell Tower email from a first time pledger, fixed income family, and a young family.

The November meeting will probably be on the 9th due to the election.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathleen Winters