

## **Buildings & Grounds Committee Meeting 2/4/13**

**Present:** Jack, Ann, Gina, Katrin and Cheryl

**Sexton:**

Lots of cleaning due to weather (salt and sand) and Hand in Hand. CWTKs are doing great with cleaning up after their dinners. Gina raised concerns about the constant dilemma of Agata having to clean up after Hand in Hand. Building and Grounds is feeling that Jack and Joan, as Hand in Hand liaison, should have another conversation with Lauren.

Agata felt that there was a constant turning up of the thermometer in the room next to the Library. The thermometer is preset to accommodate all of the activities in the room. If it is turned up when someone comes in it will take most of the time they are there to warm the room up more and then they leave it up. This is a very expensive way to warm a room. We discussed installing a cage around the thermometer to stop this.

Actually, we also discussed the thermometer in the Social Hall. B&G would like Agata to preset the thermometer to come on a couple of hours before the coffee hour so that it will be warm when folks come down from the service on Sunday.

**Elevator:** The elevator needs to be run on a regular basis or the belts stretch. Agata could turn it on and run it up and down 2 or 3 times a week when she is in the building. Thank you, Agata. The elevator repairman came Monday and fixed it again.

**Entry Stairs to the Parlors:** Gina will get a rug for the entrance.

**Entry Stairs to the Sanctuary:** Peggy asked that we widen the strips that we placed there in the late fall.

**Dumpster:** Since Casella purchased Woodstock Recycling our bill has gone up to \$127/month. Gina will investigate working on a different level with Casella but also will call Able and Bugbee as other options.

**Sprinkler system:** The State came to inspect and the bell doesn't work properly. Jack will make sure it is fixed shortly.

**Parking Lot:** Jack will replace 2 lights that are out

**List of maintenance folks to call:** B&G needs to make a list of all our folks that we have used to maintain NUCS and the Parsonage. Gina will get a start on that.

**Communications Website:** Gina feels strongly that we need to have a presence on the web site. She suggested a subcommittee when Donna and Vassie are back at full strength. In the meantime, Ann suggested that we put on the minutes of tonight's meeting.

The next meeting will be in the Social hall at 6:30 on March 4, 2014 – almost spring!

Submitted by Cheryl Brush