

Buildings and Grounds - Minutes April 4, 2017

Present: Jay, Ralph, Jack, Gina, and Vassie. The committee welcomed two new members, Ralph Lancaster and Jay Kelly.

The Sextons were not available for this meeting.

Minutes of the March meeting were read.

Old Business

This past Friday the parsonage chimney was repaired by Top Hat Chimney Company, who came up with a clever solution and less cost for the project. The chimney was wide enough to accommodate an additional flue of 6" diameter. So now the chimney has two flues; one for the furnace and one for a wood stove. However, the flue dedicated for the wood stove is not compatible with the old existing stove, (which has an 8" collar and flue) therefore we need to purchase a new stove. Gina is shopping for a new more efficient, EPA certified stove.

Coffee Hour

Our committee is on duty for the May coffee hour: Ralph will do the 7th, Vassie the 14th, Gina the 21st, and Jack the 28th.

Facilities Task Force

Gina gave an update and status report on The Facilities Task Force.

Rental

Gina and Jack will meet and work on creating a rental package and procedure document.

New Business

It was noted that the emergency lights did not come on during a recent power failure. Gina will call Jason Cayer, the electrician to have him replace all the old batteries.

Spring Clean-Up Day is scheduled for Saturday May 20th from 10am-2pm. Vassie will call Phyllis to request participation of the CTWK's with cleaning and also to ask that they take away the large kitchen equipment that is in storage under the garage. (if it hasn't already been)
Gina will write the announcement of Spring Clean Up Day for the Quest.

Other Business

It is time to apply for the annual Vermont/Quebec UU Convention grant, and the committee decided that it should go toward the phase one of the facility improvement.

Composting

We are looking to becoming proactive in recycling and find ways to educate our UU members.

Next meeting will be on Wednesday, May 3rd at 5:00pm. Jack will chair the meeting in Gina's absence.

Minutes written by Vassie Sinopoulos