
**Saint Anne Orthodox Church
560 Oak Ridge Turnpike
Oak Ridge, TN 37830-7164**

**Parish Council Meeting Minutes
July 15, 2018**

Present:	Fr. Stephen Freeman, Rector	Adrienne Pyle
	Niko Pantanizopoulos	David Heise
	Alex Dnestrean	Craig Morfas
	Jenny Pittman	Beth Freeman (Clerk)
	Adam Davis	
Absent:		

A quorum being present, the Parish Council meeting commenced at 12:25 p.m. with prayer.

Minutes

The minutes of the June 17, 2018 meeting were approved as amended.

Treasurer's Report

For June, net income was \$3,551.14, and for the year net income was -\$3,714.62. The financial report for June was approved.

Rector's Report

The All-America Council of the OCA will be held in St. Louis in July.

Ryan Shelton is in New York at St. Vladimir's Seminary for training as a deacon. The church congregation gave an offering of \$1,800 as a contribution for his travel and tuition expenses. The Holy Synod meets in the Fall and in the Spring to consider candidates for ordination, so there will not have been time for his candidacy to have been approved before the visit of Archbishop Alexander and the ordination service this August.

The details for the 20th Anniversary visit of Vladyka to St. Anne's, to include the ordination of Fr. Daniel, are coming together very well. Fr. Stephen reported that he is very pleased to be working with Fr. Daniel, who officially began his position at the first of July.

Old Business

A youth camping event is planned for the Labor Day weekend on the Mattingly mountain property.

The Council needs to elect a secretary (to be done next month) so that the church by-laws can be reviewed and updated if necessary.

Council approved the expense of rental of tables and chairs for the ordination. Donations are to be requested to help cover the expenses of hospitality for this event.

Fr. Stephen requested approval of \$200 for expenditure on altar items from the Memorial Fund, which was approved by Council.

David Heise will send an electronic copy of the new proposed accounting procedures, to be voted on by Council.

New Business

Council discussed briefly the possibility of our church establishing a cemetery for church burials, either by an arrangement with a local cemetery or by purchase of property for the purpose. Discussion of this will continue after the Building Fund is underway.

Council was appraised of a change in the arrangements for donated funds to cover the salary for Fr. Daniel. Our understanding had been that the diocese would cover \$1500 a month for 18 months, but now we have been told that the diocese will only cover \$500 a month for 18 months. In order to help cover the shortfall in promised funds, our dean, Fr. David Arnold, is soliciting \$250/month from two churches in the Carolinas Deanery for 18 months each. Parish Council voted to increase our approved monthly contribution to \$2000 (from \$1500) and to continue to pay Fr. Daniel the promised total monthly salary as planned. Council will continue to vote every month to approve this increase until a long-term solution is in place. Fr. Stephen will be discussing this with the chancellor of the diocese.

The council adjourned with prayer at 1:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mat. Beth Freeman, Clerk

Action Item List:

- Fr. Stephen would like to follow up on the maintenance issue of replacing the sidewalk
- Fr. Stephen will follow up on background checks for lay leaders.
- Fr. Stephen will arrange a speaker for a parish-wide meeting re: parish security
- David Heise will check with SunTrust about the loan payment
- Council members will provide alternate options for security and camera systems
- Fr. Stephen will add automatic door closures to the parish hall/narthex doors
- David Heise will email the accounting procedures documents to the Council