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

**Parish Council Meeting Minutes
October 23, 2016**

Present:	Fr. Stephen Freeman, Rector Mary Ann Favazza Ben Prothro David Heise (Treasurer)	Adrienne Pyle Carl Bruner Adam Davis Beth Freeman (Clerk)
Absent:	John Dolynchuk	Marcus Richey

A quorum being present, the Parish Council meeting commenced at 12:35 p.m. with prayer.

Minutes

The minutes of the September 18, 2016 meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report

The net income for the month of September was \$196.67, and the net income for the year to date was \$2,880.09. The Treasurer pointed out that the church tithe for August had not been paid in September. Therefore, the October report should show both the August and September tithe as paid to the diocese. The Treasurer's Report was given provisional approval, pending the revised figures for the tithes in next month's report.

Rector's Report

Fr. Stephen has one more trip scheduled before the end of the year: a retreat for the OCA church in San Antonio, TX (November 11-13). Fr. Daniel Talley will be at St. Anne's for that weekend.

He reported that the Appalachian Deanery has been asked to host the 2017 Diocesan Assembly, and the diocese is considering Chattanooga (and alternately, Gatlinburg) as locations. The other churches of the deanery will be helping with the arrangements. Since St. Anne's will be celebrating our 20th anniversary next year, we could probably arrange that the bishop visit us on the Sunday preceding the Assembly.

New Business

In 2017, the church camping trip which is held in Hot Springs, NC, in October will include the participation of Bishop Alexander. In anticipation of especially high attendance at this event, four adjacent group camping sites have been reserved already for St. Anne's members. One has water and electricity, one has room for two tents and for hammocks, and two are group sites with room for 10 tents each. These reservations, which can be cancelled without penalty until close to time for

the event, are being secured for the time being at a cost of \$386.00 by a church member. Council will discuss how best to manage this arrangement at its next meeting.

Parish Council approved the purchase of a coat rack for the narthex of \$200 (with shipping), to be paid out of the Church Furnishings fund.

The meeting adjourned at 1:05 p.m. with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Mat. Beth Freeman, Clerk

Action Item List:

- Fr. Stephen will arrange for direct debit for our utilities to be switched over to the new accounts
- Council will discuss how best to manage camping reservations at its next meeting.