

MOOREBANK ANGLICAN PARISH

2024 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - MINUTES

1. **Stephen Cook (SC) Opened the AGM with prayer**

2. **First matters to be dealt with by this meeting**

- a) Kerrie Oxlade and Alan Green moved that the declarations of persons present be received
- b) The congregation determined that a Quorum is present (More than 7 in attendance)
- c) George Csanady moved Balu Daniel to be elected Minute Secretary. The motion was moved
- e) Apologies – Paula Taylor, Irin Daniel, Diane Whittle, Syd Clay, John and Elizabeth Barnes, Janine Pringle, Kent and Belinda Hanly, Ross Cotter, Terri Cartmer.

3. **Minutes of this Annual General Meeting**

Sarah Barber moved that the minutes of this meeting be ratified at the first meeting of the newly elected Parish Council. The motion was carried.

4. **REPORTS**

The following reports were accepted by the congregation (The reports are attached in this minutes).

- a) Minister's report – by Stephen Cook
- b) Wardens report – by Jeanette Habib

The Financial statements and budget was explained by Stephen Cook.C.

The audited Financial report for 2023 is attached. The Balance sheet (A statement of what we own and what we owe) could be found on Page 4 (in bold 4).

- Total Assets (Own) = \$10,935,534
- Total Liabilities (Owe) = \$100,940

In 2023, the actual Offertory and Hall hire is a little more than the budgeted. The income from the Combined ministry activities is less than budgeted.

The only expense incurred from the Sinking funds is the cost for the repair of MB church floor – piers (\$14,000).

The Budget for 2024 was set at \$518,180 with a surplus of \$533. The 2024 budget includes:

- Budgeted offertory increased by 1.5%
- Increased hall hire charge to \$30 for most casual license fees
- Rental income from 7 Morley avenue
- Bank interest

2024 Projects to be investigated:

- Hammondville Toilet block – will make a decision after the Grant application verdict
- Hammondville leadlight window leak
- Tree removal MB
- New plumbing MB

QUESTIONS:

David Phillpott (DP) queried the Parochial Network costs. Jeanette explained that this is the costs that need to be paid to the diocese for purchase of land etc. kept in a pool for future building churches and ministry. This covers insurance too.

Marcus Judge noted that it is not ideal to keep nearly \$400, 000 in the funds – could be used for building renovations? Jeanette mentioned that the \$200,000 matured recently in the fixed deposit. Additionally mentioned that Parish Council has the responsibility of deciding how/where to invest these funds. May be use for the Hammondville Toilet repair if the grant application fails. Paul Kristofferson mentioned maybe a new ministry centre.

Amy Bosker mentioned the major repair works needed in the Rectory.

DP mentioned that the Grant for the Hammo Toilet block will not be known until June 2024, and if anything could be done before the Holiday kids club in July. The Parish council will look into this.

Alan Green moved that the report be received – seconded by Kerrie Oxlade.

George Csanady moved a vote of Thanks to Terri Cartmer for her help in the auditing of the funds, and also to the Wardens and the Parish Council. Received.

5. Auditor – Kerrie Oxlade nominated Terri Cartmer as the auditor (Seconded by Alan Green). The motion was carried.

6. Nominations and Election of two PARISH WARDENS

a) SC explained the role of parish warden

b) Stephen Cook appointed Jeanette Habib as the Warden.

Alan Green nominated Paul Kristofferson as a Warden. Appointed

SC will need to check with the regulations since the Parish council will have only 2 wardens (One appointed and one elected) and there were no other nominations.

7. PARISH COUNCIL

a) SC explained the role of parish council

b) Motion that there be a parish council – Josh Barber, carried unanimously

c) Motion regarding the election and appointment of qualified persons to parish council – moved by Alan. Carried.

d) Motion regarding the process for electing and appointing representatives to parish council - Carried

e) Assuming the above motions are passed, motion regarding the size of parish council: 3, 6, or 9 elected members – George Csanady moved for 6 parish council. Seconded by Alan. Motion carried

f) Nomination of Parish Councillors

There were 6 nominations for the Parish council – all elected

- Liv Bemrose nominated Terri Cartmer

- Anne Judge nominated Kerri Oxlade
- Kathy Lord nominated Balu Daniel
- Andy Donaldson nominated Yvette Sathiakumar
- Paul Kristofferson nominated Jeremy Vickers
- Pam Hilton nominated Ross Cotter

8. Nominations and Election of FIVE Parish Nominators

- Kerrie Oxlade nominated Diane Whittle
- Jeremy nominated Andy Donaldson
- George nominated Adel Habib
- Deb Vickers nominated Allison Smith
- Kerries Oxlade nominated Kathy Lord

9. Recommendations, if any, to incoming Parish Council and wardens

- Should consider appointing a Welfare officer (Stan Scahill)
- Update signage at the entrance of St Thomas and St Anne's. Also take away the Riverside Anglican church website link at St Thomas. (Thora Marsh)
- Support an indigenous ministry (Thora Marsh) (SC explained that the new Mission team will consider which Indigenous ministry to support)
- Look into having some sort of concrete play area for kids (playing handball) outside the church. This will prevent kids playing in the church foyer after church – may cause injury to elders. (Amy Bosker)
- Plan for a Pathway to the toilet block at St Annes (Dean Marsh)
- How to dispose of “rubbish” in the office or church. Paul mentioned the present process is put in Dave Smiths ute for disposal. (Amy Bosker)
- Signage showing the different buildings at Moorebank – Church, Ministry centre, Rectory, etc. (Steph Philpott)
- Update internet connectivity at St Annes (Steph Philpott)
- Name tags – Look into the option of either smaller labels to reduce costs or permanent name tags like we had before. (Chris Williams)
- Look into the possibility of having more intrachurch activities (Moorebank and Hammondville) (Stan Scahill)
- Provision at church for visually impaired (Stan Scahill)

10. Stephen Cook closed with Prayer