

Midlothian Friends Meeting

Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business, held 10th day, 7th month, 2011 – APPROVED

Present were: Tracey Cain, Clerk, John Cain, Howard Brod, Alan Rogers, Robyn Johnson, Jan Rappe, Dave Clark, Beth Rappe, Brian Buniva, Scott Cannady, Chuck Grove, recording clerk.

Opening worship included a reading out of the silence from British Yearly Meeting Quaker Faith and Practice, 2nd Ed. by Tracey Cain.

Tracey Cain reviewed the agenda.

Tracey Cain reviewed minutes from the 5th Month Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business.

Tracey Cain noted that we had received two letters of thanks for contributions from the proceeds from the Thrifty Quaker, one from Caritas for a contribution of \$556.00 and one from the Free Clinic of Powhatan for \$1000.05.

Treasurer's Report: John Cain reviewed the monthly treasurer's report. It was noted income is slightly more than the budgeted amount to date and that expenses are also slightly more than budgeted to date. Howard Brod requested that the line item for Scholarship be moved from Other to Care and Community.

The Treasurer's report for the 6th Month 2011 and is attached.

Financial Stewardship Committee: Alan Rogers presented a Financial Stewardship report on a request from the Building and Grounds committee requesting additional budget for the remainder of 2011.

The conclusion of the Financial Stewardship Committee was that while they recognized the need for additional funding, they could not recommend additional monies be added to the budget for the Building and Grounds Committee. The Financial Stewardship Committee did recommend that an item be included in the Town Crier and also be announced after Meeting for Worship that Friends may contribute specifically to the Building and Grounds fund and encouraging such contributions so long as it didn't impact their regular contribution. The Financial Stewardship Committee also noted that they would like to engage with the Building and Grounds Committee concerning future budgeting.

The recommendation from the Financial Stewardship Committee is attached.

Tracey Cain noted that per the recommendation, the final decision on budgeting is the responsibility of Meeting.

Howard Brod requested that the Long Term Expense item be included in the budget under Other rather than under Building and Grounds.

Tracey Cain requested that the Financial Stewardship Committee report be handled prior to addressing the request to include the Long Term Expense item under Other rather than under Building and Grounds in the budget.

During the ensuing discussion it was noted that the Financial Stewardship Committee recommendation was based on an estimated expense of \$5,000.00 for the near term and approximately \$8,000.00 over a longer term for a total of approximately \$13,000.00. Specific items presented to the Financial Stewardship Committee were:

Short Term

Pest Control	\$ 250.00
Gravel for parking area	\$ 500.00
Repair/replace window sills	\$1,500.00
Mulch and seeding	\$ 500.00
Replace Sliding Glass door	\$2,500.00

Long Term

Replace Roof	\$5,000.00
Replace entrance pavers	\$1,500.00
Provide Handicap accessibility	\$1,500.00

Meeting recommended that Building and Grounds focus on addressing the first three items (Pest Control, Gravel, and Window Sills)

- **It was approved Building and Grounds would focus on the first three items (pest control, gravel and window sills)**

Meeting recommended that the suggestion that Friends be advised that they could contribute specifically to the Building and Grounds fund and that discussion for continuing Building and Grounds needs go forward from here.

Meeting recommended that the current budget for Building and Grounds be amended to approve a one-time increase of \$250.00 to be effective immediately for pest control.

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Meeting recommended that the next two items (Gravel and Window Sills) be addressed through the recommendation from the Financial Stewardship Committee to solicit contributions from Friends.

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The next two items on the agenda (Discussion regarding Developer's property/Howard Brod and Discussion regarding the future of the web site/Dave Clark) were held over, however Brian Buniva gave the meeting a brief recap of situation with our next door neighbor:

Brian Buniva advised that he could present a summary of the issue of remediation to the developer's property in just a few minutes. Brian Buniva noted that the issue concerned the fact that the developer had done some remediation of wet lands on property near the creek. Some of the trees that had been planted had died and the plastic tubes supporting them were broken, creating a potential safety hazard and were removed by a member of Meeting. Since the remediation was under the auspices of the Corp of Engineers, the developer was awaiting their input before continuing with the remediation and since the dead trees were removed by a representative of Meeting the developer felt Meeting should be responsible for the cost of the remediation of \$385.00. Brian Buniva noted that the situation could have been avoided if either the developer had advised Meeting of the circumstances or if the representative of Meeting had notified the developer of their intention to clean up the area. Brian Buniva noted that he felt Meeting should reimburse the developer the \$385.00 for the cost of the remediation.

Building and Grounds will process this situation prior to the next Meeting for Business.

Meeting adjourned in silence