Andrews Chapel Use and Maintenance

Meeting Minutes

April 25, 2018

In attendance: Gino Cresta, Dana Anderson, Mary Cassidy, Deborah Bogardus, Marilyn Cassidy

- I. Beautiful new brochure by David Gardiner was presented. Thank you David.
 - A. David would like to take a new photo in the spring to show the present green n the tower louvers. A limited printing was done for now.
 - B. Gina and Anne will be responsible for distribution in order to make the public aware of its availability.
- II. Outside lighting
 - A. Present lights are temporary in the ground and will be in the way of mowing grass.
 - 1. Down lights would not be effective. David suggested lights in the trees shining onto the front.
 - 2. Gino will work on financing it.
- III. Water spots were noticed by Anne and Gina on the tables at the front of the Chapel when they were cleaning. Deb checked again during the bad rainstorm and saw no evidence of water. The tower might need to be checked again. Deb will have Steve Hayes check the flashing.
- IV. Black dust has been in front of the pews. It falls directly under two ceiling boards. Steve Hayes has suggested nailing the boards tighter. We questioned carpenter ants or some type of infestation. Marilyn will have exterminator look at it.
 - A. It was also suggested that baiting for mice and/or rats should be done every year in the fall when it starts to get cold.
- V. Two surprise users discussed. The Saturday before Easter, two Marblehead churches held a service for Holy Saturday.
 - A. There was a complaint about the lack of a railing on the steps. The person had not noticed the handicapped ramp. Gino will try to have Bob Pappas do the job.
- VI. There seems to be an abundance of efflorescence from the caulking between the stones at the front entryway. Fabio had given instructions for washing and Gino will take care of it.
- VII. Deb was approached by a gentleman from the Old North Church in Marblehead, their bell ringer. He inquired if we might consider having a bell in the Chapel and would make a donation if so. We think probably not.
- VIII. Deb was contacted by Jay Morrison for some background on the Chapel. He thought his grandfather had built it. Deb thinks his grandfather was a selectman at the time. She will investigate further.

- IX. Toilet facilities raises its ugly head once more after 3 requests.
 - A. One solution would be a handicap porta-potty permanently in place with a shed around it and a lock on it when not in use. Gino would put a cement pad underneath and Charlie Gambale could build it. Mary will investigate and negotiate a price.
 - B. Another solution is the facility in the cemetery building. It would have to be rearranged with a new entry.
- X. A. There was a discussion of marketing aggressively for future/regular use of the Chapel, mainly through distribution to places such as funeral homes, town hall, churches, senior center, and other organizations.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15

Respectfully submitted, Marilyn L Cassidy