Vestry Minutes of Christ Church 1859

At a meeting of the Vestry of Christ Church held on Monday the 3d January 1859.

Present the Rev. L. L. Smith in the chair. Messrs. F.B. Fogg, Jno. Kirkman, A. Crawford, Wm. Driver, J.B. Johnson, & G.M. Fogg being a quorum - On motion it was ordered & Resolved That the Charter of Christ Church as passed by the legislature of the state of Tennessee on the 15th of March 1858 Chap. 132 Sec. 9 of private acts, be accepted by the Wardens & Vestry of said Church, with all the rights, privileges, immunities & responsibilities thereto appertaining -

Resolved that the Trurlecz to whom was conveyed the lot on which Christ Church is built be requested to convey the same to the Corporation of Christ Church by deed of special warranty - Adjourned G.M. Fogg

At a meeting of the Vestry of Christ Church held on Wednesday the 13th April 1859 present the Rector in the Chair, Messrs. F.B. Fogg, John Kirkman, J.B. Johnson, Wm. Driver, J. Bankhead, & G.M. Fogg being a quorum. The Treasurer presented his annual reports which were to be filed - On motion Resolved that until further directed by the vestry, the Treasurer be directed to apply all the rest of the Church to the pay of the Rector's salary & the other incidental expenses of the church - Adjourned

G.M. Fogg Secy

At a meeting of the Congregation of Christ Church held on Easter Monday April 24th 1859 the persons hereinafter named were duly elected vestrymen for the ensuing ecclesiastical year viz. - Francis B. Fogg, John Shelby, Russell Houston, James Bankhead, Matthew Watson, John B. Johnson, G.M. Fogg, John Kirkman, Byrd Douglass, A. Crawford, Wm. Driver.

There being no other business the meeting adjourned.

G.M. Fogg Secy

At a meeting of the Vestry of Christ Church held on Monday evening the 2d May 1859 present the Rector in the chair -Messrs. F.B. Fogg, Wm. Driver, Jno. Kirkman, J. Bankhead, A. Crawford, & G.M. Fogg. F.B. Fogg was unanimously elected Senior Warden & Wm. Driver Junior Warden - & G.M. Fogg Secretary & Treasurer -

On Motion ordered that the Secretary be directed to expect a paper writing to R.C. McNairy at a line that the part of his lot on which the Vestry room is situated in High Street is not claimed by this church as being owned by it nor will they take advantage of the statute of limitations —

Adjourned

G.M. Fogg Secy

At a called meeting of the Vestry of Christ Church held on Monday the 14th of May 1859 present the Revd. Leonidas L. Smith in the chair - and Messrs. John Kirkman, Wm. Driver, G.M. Fogg, James Bankhead, Russell Houston, F.B. Fogg, & John B. Johnson.

On motion it was unanimously Resolved that this Vestry have heard with extreme regret of the death of their brother in the Church, Dr. John Shelby for many years the Senior Warden and a member of the Vestry -

Resolved that in his death we lose one who has from the first organization of the church in this diocese contributed liberally for its support, and by his real and personal exertions in its infancy, aided materially in its present position.

Resolved that this Vestry deeply sympathize with the widow & family of the deceased in the inemediable loss which they have sustained.

Resolved that a copy of the foregoing resolutions be transmitted to the widow & family of deceased.

Adjourned

G.M. Fogg Secy

At a meeting of the Vestry held on Monday June 6th 1859. Present the Rector The Rev. Leonidas Smith in the chair and Messrs. F.B. Fogg, Wm. Driver, John Kirkman, James Bankhead, G.M. Fogg, & John B. Johnson -

On motion it was ordered that the Vestry proceed to the election of three delegates to represent this Congregation in the next Diocesan Convention to be held at Knoxville on Wednesday the 29th instant -

The Vestry proceeded to ballot for the same when it appeared that Francis B. Fogg, Godfrey M. Fogg, & Matthew Watson were unanimously elected
Adjourned G.M. Fogg Secy

At a meeting of the Vestry held on Thursday June 24th 1859. Present The Rev. L.L. Smith in the chair. F.B. Fogg, Jno. Kirkman, J. Bankhead, A. Crawford, M. Watson, & G.M. Fogg.

The Vestry then proceeded to vote for a vestryman to supply the place of Dr. Shelby decd. - when Genl. W. Barrow was duly elected.

Adjourned

G.M. Fogg Secy

At a meeting of the Vestry of Christ Church held on Monday the 3d October 1859. Present The Rector, The Rev. L.L. Smith in the chair & Messrs. J. Bankhead, R. Houston, B. Douglass, Jno. Kirkman, M. Watson, Wm. Driver, F.B. Fogg, & G.M. Fogg.

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The Treasurer made a report of the state of the finances of the church, which was recd. & ordered to be filed -

G.M. Fogg moved the following resolution which was unanimously adopted -

Resolved - That the Vestry of Christ Church highly approve of the alterations made in the church by their fellow worshipper Tom Smith Esq, chiefly at his own expense, and lend to him their heartfelt thanks, for the time & money so liberally bestowed by him in the beautiful and tasteful improvement in the interior of the edifice. And they pray that a Kind Providence may extend to him rich blessings, both temporal & spiritual.

Adjourned

G.M. Fogg Secretary