

## Council Meeting Minutes from March 12, 2017

**ATTENDEES:** Pastor Mark, Marj Simpson, Ben Volding, Marilu Degener, Chris McCulley, and Lori Gutknecht.

### A. OPENING:

1. Ben called the meeting to order at 10:43 am
2. Pastor opened the meeting by prayer.
3. The agenda was reviewed and finalized. Pastor made a motion to approve the agenda. Marj seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### B. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Recording Secretary (Marj): Marj presented minutes from 2/12/17 meeting.
2. Financial Reports (Chris): Chris presented financials through 1/31/17.

3. Description	Expenses	Income	Balance
Beginning Balance 2/1/17:			\$-31.81
General			
Building Fund	5317.86	18895.00	
Total Expenses			
<b>Totals as of 2/28/17:</b>	<b>\$5317.86</b>	<b>\$18895.00</b>	<b>\$13545.33</b>

4. Worship & Parish Life Committee (Marilu): nothing to report
5. Education Committee (Ben): nothing to report
6. Missions Committee (Lori): nothing to report
7. Finance Committee (Chris): nothing to report
8. Pastor's Report: Pastor gave an attendance update – Attendance average for Feb. was 67 and so far for March including Lent services is 45. Pastoral visits/calls were 8 with no communion served during visits. Blessing of Seeds and Soils is set for April 2 as well as taking down the snow fence. Holy Week services will be held on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday. No Wed night service and Good Friday service will be at 6:30. Each church is holding their own this year. We have a baptism coming up on April 23<sup>rd</sup> for Addicyn McCalley. Confirmation for Preston Seible and Kristina Kajtezovic is May 7<sup>th</sup>. We will be recognizing the graduates on May 21<sup>st</sup>. Pastor & Sherry will be going to England May 26-June 14<sup>th</sup>. Pastor is lining up someone to preach for him for those 3 Sundays. Noah Ruppert will be preaching on June 11<sup>th</sup>. Mallory Laube will be attending Wartburg College in the Fall and will be applying for the EPIC Grant. Zion will participate in the EPIC grant for Mallory with a fundraiser meal. Oil Treatment on the gravel road out front of church is \$425 for two applications. We have 3 wedding this year, Dayne Watson June 24<sup>th</sup> Jenna Shirley either Oct 7<sup>th</sup> or 14<sup>th</sup> and Holly Wulf Nov 4<sup>th</sup>.
9. Marilu made the motion to approve reports and Pastor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### C. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Additional TV Screen Funding/Progress Update – TV screen is up and paid for.
2. Building & Grounds update – no update as Elwin was gone.
3. Sink Hole Status - is still sinking – Hudson Hardware Plumbing & Htg has come 4 times to add gravel and will continue to until no more sinking.
4. Bell Greasing/Steeple Repairs – waiting for warm weather
5. Status of Bank loan/Endowment Draw – question had been brought up as to if something were to happen to Ed's Aunt what would happen to the loan. Ed will assume the loan and we will then owe Ed and pay him back. We have a copy of the loan agreement.
6. Elevator Inspection – Schumachers came out and did the inspection and load test. So now we can get our permit. The load test has to be done every 5 years. The Operating Permit comes from Workforce. Bill & Lori Gutknecht are working on getting this all taken care of. Thank you Bill & Lori.
7. Bi-Annual Ag Report – Marilu & Rodney took care of this. Thank you Marilu & Rodney.

### D. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Soup Supper - March 26<sup>th</sup> – Julie Sorensen will chair and Deb Brandhorst to co-chair.

### E. NEXT MEETING DATE:

1. **Sunday, April 30, 2017**

### F. ADJOURNMENT:

1. Pastor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Marilu seconded the motion. Motion carried.
2. The meeting was adjourned at 11:34 pm with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Marj Simpson, Recording Secretary