

Council Meeting Minutes from August 14, 2017

ATTENDEES: Pastor Mark, Marj Simpson, Ben Volding, Marilu Degener, Chris McCulley, and Elwin Lee.
Ben called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm

1. Pastor opened the meeting by prayer.
2. The agenda was reviewed and finalized. Marilu made a motion to approve the agenda. Pastor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

B. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Recording Secretary (Marj): Marj presented minutes from 7/18/17 meeting.
2. Financial Reports (Chris): Chris presented financials through 7/31/17 and an update on the 6/30 mid year.
3. **Description 7/1/17:** \$12000.30
General
Building Fund 8580.53
Total Expenses 8609.68
Totals as of 7/31/17: **\$8580.53** **\$8609.68** **\$11971.15**
4. Worship & Parish Life Committee (Marilu): nothing to report
5. Education Committee (Ben): Still need confirmation teacher for Sunday School class.
6. Missions Committee (Lori): nothing to report
7. Finance Committee (Chris): meeting Wed., Aug. 16th at 7:00.
8. Pastor's Report: Pastor gave an attendance update – Average attendance for last 3 weeks in July was 51. Avg for the first 2 weeks in Aug was 44. Pastoral visits/calls were 8 with no communion served during visits. Bible Study began on Monday, Aug. 28th at 5:30 pm in Hudson. It will go for about 8 weeks and will be on the book of Phillipians. Pictorial Directory update – it should arrive in the next week or 2.. Bench for the cemetery is being made by the help of Garry Dufel and Irv Laube. The frame has been made still need concrete and will have a marble bench. There is \$1,000 in memorial fund to pay for it. Sunday School will begin Sept. 10th Jenna Shirley's wedding is on Oct 7th and Pastor Fred will be back for that. Holly Wulf is getting married on Nov. 4th.
9. Building & Grounds Committee (Elwin) - Elwin put letters on signs for church supper at Grundy/Ridgeway/D35 & Strayer/Hudson Rd.
10. Chris made the motion to approve reports and Marilu seconded the motion. Motion carried.

C. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Building/Grounds update – The Friday that we had previously planned to work on this the rental company was having trouble with the lift. We did not want to wait until after lunch for them to get it fixed so we decided to forgo the project until a later date. We are now rescheduled for Sat. Aug. 27th for steeple repair. Lift is booked.
2. Church Windows – I have info from Elwin in regards to meeting up with contractors to get an estimate. In the last month I have not had any free time to pursue this, Best time to take pictures is when we have a lift here for steeple work. Planning to make the assessment at the time when the lift is here.
3. Cemetery Bench – We have a price of around \$1000.00 for a very nice one from Lori's employer. We do have enough money in the Memorial Fund to make the purchase. Pastor has a nice spot picked out for it, and it sounds like Andy Appleton will help youth with forming a concrete pad for it. We should take a vote to see if council wants to proceed.
4. Church Directory Status - Should have in next week or 2.
5. Basement refrigerator – I have not had a chance to visit further with Karen Wulf as I was absent from services for the previous two weeks. And had to leave immediately following worship on Sunday. Regardless, Julie Sorensen says we can have the one out of their kitchen so I will make arrangements to get it here.
6. Zion sign on Zanetta Rd – have not had a chance to get to this yet. Garry Dufel has volunteered to help with repairs. We will assess this after steeple repairs are complete. Possibly the same weekend.

D. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Gutknecht's will be donating the pig for the sandwich supper this year and will get it booked. No bazaar this time for the sandwich supper.
2. Semi-annual meeting is set for August 27th.
3. Church Sandwich Supper is Sunday, September 24th

E. NEXT MEETING DATE:

1. **Wednesday, September 13th at 6:30 pm.**

F. ADJOURNMENT:

1. Pastor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Marj seconded the motion. Motion carried.
2. The meeting was adjourned at 7:46pm with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,
Marj Simpson, Recording Secretary