

Council Meeting Minutes from May 22th, 2022

ATTENDEES: Ed Juhl, Pastor Mark, Marion Grover, Bill Gutknecht, Chris McCulley, and Stacy Lee

Ed called the meeting to order approximately 10:50 am

Pastor opened the meeting with prayer.

A. AGENDA

- The agenda was reviewed and finalized. Bill moved to approve the agenda. Chris seconded the motion. Motion carried.

B. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- No minutes from Jenn yet.
- Financial Reports (Chris): balance ending 4/30/22, \$23,281.68. Discussion included noting that of the \$9,905.38 (checks and other debits) \$2000.00 was paid from Benevolence; and the cost for *Our Church Home* increased from \$40. To \$45. Also noted is that Annual insurance payment is coming up.
- Worship & Parish Life Committee (Bill): not meeting yet due to focus on items for transition period.
- Education Committee (Marion): VBS is set for June 12,13,14, beginning with a family picnic potluck.
- Finance Committee (Ed): report on breakdown of money used to pay for the laptop and camera system. A total of \$4377.60 was donated from individuals and given from memorials. \$218.10 was short and will be taken from office expenses. Thank you note for donations to be posted in the June newsletter. Ed invited discussion about ideas for use of the remaining memorials.
- Pastor's Report (Mark): In person worship is coming up; average for May 42.5. Pastor had 3 in person visits with 3 communions served, and 1 hospital visit. Sanctuary camera is working well now with glitches solved. Worship plans discussed: whoever is preaching will prepare the worship, Tammy Bern can choose songs, Doug Wulf will set-up Facebook Live each Sunday, Pastor will contact Cindy Paige about preparing the Power Point. Bill will talk to Worship committee about assisting in the plans for worship. Use of our building for the primary election will depend on road construction. Pastor and Sherrie have purchased a property and will be out of the parsonage by July 15th. Pastor has accepted a call as part-time pastor at Sion church of Lake Mills, IA.
- Missions Committee (Stacy): Gave temple talk at beginning of service, letting congregation know that \$10,000.00 (from 2021) had been distributed and plans are underway for dispersal of more benevolence in June. Also, committee will invited speakers from groups receiving money.
- Building & Grounds Committee (Ed): Many projects have been completed in April and May: narthex and Sunday School rooms cleaned and freshened, broken window repaired, old safe taken out, front facing left window replaced and new siding placed under it, undercroft prepped and painted, flowers planted in rock beds out front. Thank you cards to be sent to 2 non-members, Ryan Folkerts and Ben Woomer, for all their contributions. Many volunteers have worked together to spruce up our building and grounds!
- Chris moved, Bill seconded to approve the reports. Motion carried.

C. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Call Committee report – Bill reported the committee has done lots of work to achieve the best result. Interviews are underway. One candidate was declined. The 2nd candidate has done a first video interview with another to follow today, 5/22/22. The committee may also ask him to come for a personal visit. The committee is working on constructive benchmarks, expectations of the new pastor, during the next few years. The call committee becomes the pastoral support committee.
2. VBS – see Education committee report above.

3. Church clean-up recap given in Building and Grounds report. Discussion of sales of our cookbooks planned for Hudson Days in the park, price reduced to \$15.00. We have 100s left to sell. The old kitchen and extra closet has yet to be gone through.
4. Church Wi-fi – no report.

D. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Tammy will be out of town 7/24 and 7/31; Monica Laube will fill-in. Tammy will also be gone 8/7; Judy Shirley will be asked to fill-in.
2. Paving of Grundy Road is coming soon. Members discussed possible projects to coincide with the paving. Ed will talk to pavers about our circle drive, cost and prep work.
3. Potlucks to continue in the Summer, every 3rd Sunday. Pastor's send off to take place on June 26h.

E. NEXT MEETING DATE:

- Sunday, June 19th, 2022

F. ADJOURNMENT:

* The meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacy Lee, temporary Recording Secretary

Mission Committee notes from Sunday, June 12, 2022

Attending: Julie Sorenson by phone, Monica Laube, and Stacy Lee

Great discussion about entities to give money to at this time. \$1000.00 was already sent to Mexico Mission efforts.

\$4000.00 remaining to disburse this spring. Proposal includes radio station 101.9, Food Resource Bank, Salvation Army and Catholic Worker House, and possibly Bremwood. Monica will send me a report of the final decisions later this month.

We also discussed contacting entities for possible visit to Zion for a Temple Talk. We discussed the idea to do a fundraiser for a donation to a children's benefit in Ukraine; to make it more personal for members of Zion.

Stacy Lee, Mission Committee Liaison