

Council Meeting Minutes from September 17th, 2023

ATTENDEES: Ed Juhl, Jenn Brandhorst, Teri Neil, Marian Grover and Stacy Lee

Ed called the meeting to order at 10:52 AM

Marian opened the meeting by prayer.

- The agenda was reviewed and finalized. Marian made a motion to approve the agenda. Teri seconded the motion. Motion carried.

B. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Recording Secretary (Jenn): reviewed minutes from August meeting
- Financial Reports (John, Teri): John presented financial reports through 8/31/2023.
- Description 8/31/2023: \$72,587.76

Total Income	20,807.80		
Total Expenses		12,485.54	
<hr/>			
Totals as of 8/31/2023:	\$20,807.80	\$12,485.54	\$20,690.42
- Worship & Parish Life Committee (Bill): no report
- Education Committee (Marian): breakfast went well. All of the students are in their classrooms and learning..
- Finance Committee (Ed): enthusiasm in the church continues to grow. *Moved money from Savings account to CD for more interest.
- Building & Grounds Committee (Ed): Made many improvements this year. Looking into next year at the entryway ceiling, Parsonage steps and a sidewalk in the back of the church. Front door has a broken hinge and it should be fixed soon,
- Missions (Stacy): possibly meeting in October. Will need to finish planning the end of the year giving.

Marian made the motion to approve reports and Stacy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

C. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Call Committee Report- looking into the idea of an Interim pastor.
2. Ministerial coverage-Great job to everyone, how exciting that people are still willing to get up and share their message.
3. Snow removal follow up- proposed list; if you are **not available or unable to help** please contact Marilu.
4. Church picture wrap up- beginning to compile everything into program
5. Organ, piano tuning and church signs- still looking into the best material for signs at a reasonable price.
6. Steeple planning committee
7. Upcoming election meeting candidate follow up- Contacting members, updating list, the election will be held November 12th

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Ministerial coverage: please contact Bill to get yourself on the schedule
2. New Playground- looks great. Need to finish setting the slide and more dirt work. Thank you to all who helped in any way.
3. December Scheduling-
 - a. Communion Sunday- looking towards the end of Oct
 - b. Sunday School Program- December 17th, potluck and the Sunday school will provide the desserts. December 3rd we will be visiting our shut-ins. If you would like to help please donate 2 dozen cookies, plates or plastic to cover plates. Contact Marian
 - c. Christmas Eve on Sunday December 24th. Deciding on the number of services to have that day.

E. NEXT MEETING DATE:

1. next meeting is Oct. 15th, 2023

F. ADJOURNMENT:

- Jenn made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Teri seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- The meeting was adjourned at 12:20 AM with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jennifer Brandhorst, Recording Secretary

Please send offerings to Zion Lutheran Church, 5831 Grundy Rd, Hudson, IA 50643