

American Lutheran Church
February Council Meeting
February 12, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 6:28 pm by President Christy Phillips. Present were Christy Phillips, Barb Hayek, Cindy Gosse, Shirley Bergman, Maureen Even, Secretary Chris Waring and Pat Winblade. Mitchell Hayek joined by phone at 6:50pm

Barb Hayek led devotions.

Pat Winblade gave her property report at the beginning of the meeting and left at 6:58pm – report listed below in committee reports.

Barb Hayek made a motion to amend the agenda adding Chris Waring to New Business. Second by Maureen Even. Motion carried. Barb Hayek made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Second by Maureen Even. Motion carried.

Election of Officers: Barb Hayek made a motion to nominate Christy Phillips for Council President and Maureen Even as Council Vice President. Seconded By Cindy Gosse. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report – The checking account balance at the end of January was \$9,335.48. No transfer of funds needed since the checking account balance was under \$1,0000 carried. Maureen Even made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Second by Barb Hayek. Motion carried.

Secretary's Report – Cindy Gosse made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 17,2024 Council meeting. Second by Maureen Even. Motion carried.

Cindy Gosse left the meeting at 7:07pm

Committee Reports

Hospitality – No report.

Memorial – No Report

Parish Ed – Presentation of Bible to Layne Witt and the Youth will be singing in Worship on April 21st.

The Worship Wednesday youth made cards for Stephanie Winklepleck and Cindy Gosse will be delivered to her at the University of Iowa hospital. Chrystal Lysne and Katey Niichel will finish their obligation for Worship Wednesdays in the fall of 2024. Secretary Chris Waring will put the announcement in our publications.

Presidents – Craig Frush is the new President of the Council at Zion.

Chris Waring requested the key to the Secretary's office be removed from the usher stand and given to designated members of the church. Barb Hayek made a motion to remove the key from the usher stand and have a list of members who will have a key: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Financial Secretary, Church Secretary, Custodian and one to hide. Seconded by Maureen Even. Motion carried.

Received a request for a noisy offering in March to cover the cost of shipping the LWR Health Kits.

Chris continues to update Sheperds Staff. Midweek Lent services have questions for the congregation to think about and will have those available after worship at ALC. Schedules at least one post a week to ALC Facebook page.

Reported that Secretary Chris Waring attended a meeting for the Ecumenical Good Friday Service and met with Arnita Liabold and Barb Hayek regarding Lent Midweek services. The Good Friday Ecumenical service will be March 29nd at the United Methodist Church.

Received an Email from supply Pastor Borleske regarding the updated compensation guidelines from the Synod. Barb Hayek made a motion that we meet the Synod Guidelines of \$225 for service plus mileage for our supply pastors. Maureen Even seconded. Motion carried. Christy will contact Craig Frush from Zion to inform him of the changes.

Property – Parsonage: Pat Winblade discovered that the salt in the water softener was solid like a rock on her monthly inspection of the parsonage. Records were looked up and discovered that the water softener was installed in 2003, making it over 20 years old. She recommended to the council that since we are in the midst of interviewing for a new Pastor that council take measures to replace the water softener after a contract has been signed for a new Pastor. Other items that need to be addressed before a new Pastor arrives are repairing and painting of the walls, replace of carpet or have professional cleaned, large metal cabinet in the attached building needs to be scraped out. Pat Winblade ask the council to accept two pictures that were her mothers as a donation to the church, council accepted the donation.

Church: Shirley Bergman reported the new microphone has been installed and is working great with the assistance of Anthony Bahe and Mike Waring

Scholarship – No report.

Technology – No report.

Worship and Music - none

Youth – Christy Phillips in contact with Sara Borland regarding an Easter breakfast before our 9am service. Sara Borland will check with the youth and their parents.

Call Committee –Zoom meeting for a second interview with the candidate held February 12th.

New Business

- Council Representative for the following Committee
 - Hospitality-Maureen Even
 - Parish Ed -Chrisy Phillips
 - Property- Shirly Bergman
 - Scholarship- Barb Hayek
 - Technology- After discussion it was decided to merge this committee into the Property Committee. Barb Hayek made a motion to merge the Technology Committee into the Property Committee. Seconded by Mitch Hayek. Motion carried.
 - Worship and Music-Shirley Bergman
 - Youth-Christy Phillips
 - Call Committee-Christy Phillips
- Due to the absence of a volunteer for the Council Secretary role, the Synod has approved ALC Secretary Chris Waring to serve as the recording secretary for the council.
- The Church Constitution needs updating to change the number of Council members and numbers to make a Quorum. Maureen Even, Barb Hayek and Christy Phillips agreed to be on the committee to begin the process.
- Chris Waring addressed the council regarding recording of membership in Shepherds Staff and also keeping hard copy records. She will continue to record in both systems and will look back in the records to ensure that these records are accurate. She has moved the hard copy of the past minutes into the safe and requested thinner three ring binders, so they fit into the safe. Maureen Even made a motion to allow Chris Waring to purchase supplies needed for archiving the minutes. Shirley Bergman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

- Our church's 90th Anniversary Celebration will be by July 28th in the East Land of Corn Park (across the street from Legacy's) an announcement will be in the Lamp and bulletin looking for volunteers to be on the 90th Anniversary Committee.
- Pulpit supply is filled through May 19th with the exception of April 28th. Secretary Chris Waring has a request into the Synod for Pastor Liz and is waiting for a reply. Maundy Thursday Pastor Mixdorf and Easter is Pastor Borleske.

Old Business

- Membership roster updating tabled until our current Constitution has been updated.

Correspondence

Received a request for donation to ELCA World Hunger. The Easter Sunday collection will be designated to ELCA World Hunger

Deacon assignments for March

- 3 – Maureen Even
- 10 – Christy to contact Sue Hoey and Shiela Collins
- 17 – Christy Phillips
- 24 – Barb Hayek
- 28- Barb Hayek and Maureen Even
- 31 – Christy Phillips

Barb Hayek made a motion to adjourn. Second by Maureen Evens. Meeting adjourned at 8:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Chris Waring, Secretary