

The St. John's Bennington Lutheran Church Semi-Annual meeting was held on Sunday, July 23, 2017 after worship.

Randy Wright called the meeting to order. Pastor Thalacker opened with a prayer.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Minutes from the Annual Meeting on January 22, 2017, were read by Augusta Sires. Approved as read with 1st by: Jerry Mixdorf; 2nd by: Pam Wright.

PASTOR'S REPORT: by Pastor Thalacker. General updates provided.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: None. See Trustees' Report and Old Business.

TREASURER'S REPORT: by Brandy Zuck. CKBK balance of \$21,427.83; Savings balance of \$19,690.31; Memorial Fund balance of \$4,125.98. Treasurer's Report approved as read with 1st by: Gayle Wolff; 2nd by: Cassie Sage. All aye, approved as read.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT: by Jim Mixdorf. Offerings in the first six months of 2017 totaled \$51,945.07. Financial Secretary's Report approved as read with 1st by: Dawn Best; 2nd by: Butch Mixdorf. All aye, approved as read.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: None

DEACONS' REPORT: None

TRUSTEES' REPORT: by Jerry Mixdorf. Provided update and quotes on window replacement needs. Town & Country Home Improvement was the recommended vendor. Congregation proposed to replace all windows at one time. Approved as proposed with 1st by: Dawn Best; 2nd by Brandy Zuck. Randy Wright provided quote for resurfacing the parking lot. Congregation proposed to wait until Spring of 2018 after windows are replaced. Approved as proposed with 1st by: Brenda Clark; 2nd by: Cindy Mixdorf.

FINANCE REPORT: by Bob Hansen. Community Foundation Scholarship balance of \$74,365.83; Vanguard Investments balance of \$213,146.19; Mission Investment balance of \$13,261.47. A total of \$2,786.00 in scholarships was paid out in 2017. Finance Report approved as read with 1st by: Jerry Mixdorf; 2nd by: Jim Mixdorf. All aye, approved as read.

CEMETERY REPORT: by Brenda Clark. Proposed installation of fence and sign to identify our cemetery. Dawn Best will bring up with Bennington Township trustees to discuss potential collaboration and follow-up with Church Council.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1) Road Signs – by Randy Wright. Provided update and quote. Church Council will make final decision on design. Plans and cost for signs approved with 1st by: Brenda Clark; 2nd by: Cindy Mixdorf. All aye, approved as proposed.

NEW BUSINESS: None

Motion made to adjourn with 1st by Dawn Best; 2nd by: Jeff Seamans. All stood and said The Lord's Prayer.

Augusta Sires, Council Secretary