

## Council Meeting

July 8, 2024

Meeting called to order by President Christy Phillips at 6:28 pm. Present Cindy Gosse, Barb Hayek, Maureen Even, Shirley Bergman and recording Secretary Chris Waring .

By phone: Mitch Hayek.

Devotions by Christy Phillips

Cindy Gosse made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of the transfers. Seconded by Maureen Even. Motion Carried

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Cindy Gosse mentioned that we might need to transfer money from our savings account to cover the property and liability insurance premium, which is approximately \$5,000. This decision depends on the deposits made in the last two weeks, as Financial Secretary Mike Waring was on vacation during that period.

Maureen Even made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Shirley Bergman seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

**Approval of Amended Budget:** Mitch Hayek questioned why the church was paying the full 15% of the social security for the pastor's salary. Cindy Gosse clarified with Rev. Steve Brackett from the Synod office that since we are a church we are required to pay all of the pastor's Social Security allowance. Shirley Bergman inquired that since we have a year contract with the Interim Pastor, and if we find a permanent pastor are we obligated to full fill the one-year contract. Maureen Even read the contract and in short it stated that we need to give the interim 30 days' notice that the contract will be terminated, and we are not held accountable for the remainder of the contract. Maureen Even made a motion to approve the revised budget and present it to the congregation at the Congregational Meeting on July 14<sup>th</sup>. Cindy Gosse seconded the motion. Mitch Hayek abstained from voting. Motion carried

**Secretary's report:** Cindy Gosse made a motion to approve the secretary's reports from July 10<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and the 17<sup>th</sup>, Cindy Gosse made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected. Maureen Even seconded. Motion carried.

### **Committee Reports:**

Hospitality- Maureen Even purchased items for the Father's Day gift bags

Parish Ed- VBS August 4-8 at Jesup Park. Ages 4yo to 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Secretary Chris received an email from Lori Schutte about VBS late in the day, it was forwarded to Christy Phillips.

Christy Phillips and Teri Schares are still in need of one other person to help with Worship Wednesdays.

Property- Reports were submitted from Maureen Even and Pat Winblade.

Shirley Bergmann has prepared a contract for the interim pastor to sign upon moving into the parsonage. This contract outlines the expectations for upkeep and the condition the house must be left in when the pastor leaves the congregation.

The question was asked if the water softener in the parsonage needs to be replaced since it has not been used for so long. Will wait to see if it is in working order after the pastor move in.

The sleeper sofa that was left in the basement has been disassembled and moved to the garage for Thomas James to pick up. Wayne Schnieder has contacted Thomas James to arrange the pickup.

Cindy Gosse will contact Thomas James to start garbage pickup and provide them with billing information.

Pat Winblade has resigned from the property committee.

Shirley Bergman has been designated as the chair of the property committee and will serve as the contact person for any questions or issues related to property matters going forward. Secretary Chris Waring will supply the pastor with a Leader List with contact information.

Jubilee can supply the following items for the parsonage until the furniture arrives: Card table and chairs, TV trays, air mattress, and plastic plates and silverware. Secretary Chris Waring will contact Craig to set a time for delivery

Shirley Bergman will walk through the parsonage with the pastor upon their arrival and go through the contract checklist.

Scholarship – none

Worship and Music-The committee will meet this week to plan the future worship services.

Chris Waring will contact the Synod to see if it would be possible to install Pastor Pat on Sunday, July 28<sup>th</sup> anniversary service.

Youth- We are having a sendoff blessing on Sunday, July 14<sup>th</sup> during worship.

Motion was made by Barb Hayek to provide an offering in the amount of \$250 for the Generation X World Hunger offering at the youth gathering. Seconded by Maureen Even. Motion passed. Cindy Gosse will either submit online or send a check with Sara Borland.

Call Committee- MSP has been updated and submitted. Pastor Pat, our Interim Pastor will be meeting with the Call Committee in the future to see if there are ways to improve the profile to attract more interest for possible candidates.

### **New Business:**

Sara Borland asked Cindy Goose if the youth could use the church's credit card or purchase 3, \$1000 prepaid debit cards for them to use during their travels. After discussion it was decided that for record keeping purposes the group will use their personal credit or debit cards and submit receipts to Cindy Gosse for reimbursement. The motion was made by Barb Hayek not to provide a credit card or prepaid

debit cards. All receipts need to be presented for reimbursement. Maureen Even seconded. Motion carried.

**Old Business:**

90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary: 120 invitations have been mailed out. Low response at this time. Carol Anhalt has agreed to lead the choir. Chris will check with Bishop Jones to see if he would install Pastor Pat. In the Memorial Fund there is \$652, designated for Anniversary. Barb made a motion to use the \$652 towards the catering for the Anniversary dinner. Maureen Even seconded. Motion carried.

Pulpit Supply: Filled until the beginning of October, if need be, Pastor Pat will begin worship on July 21<sup>st</sup>.

Correspondence: Thank you card from the Ahmann's for the baptism of Elliott

**Deacon Assignments:**

August

7<sup>th</sup> Barb Hayek

11<sup>th</sup> Maureen Even

18<sup>th</sup> Christy Phillips

25<sup>th</sup> Maureen Even

Maureen Even made a motion to adjourn. Barb Hayek seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Chris Waring

Recording Secretary