**Council Meeting Minutes June 9, 2024**

**Call to Order**

President John called the meeting to order at 11:40 am in the basement meeting room.

**Roll Call**

Absent- James

Present- Pastor Anna, John, Ky, Amy, Carol, Lavonne, and Linda

Six of seven voting members were in attendance, establishing a quorum.

**Devotional:** Ky opened the meeting with prayer.

**Approve Previous Month’s Minutes**

Clarification – Building Maintenance calls will go to John as Gary recovers.

Clarification – John will contact Paul Michaelson regarding getting new doors.

Motion – Linda moved and Ky seconded – “to approve the minutes of the April 21, 2024 Council meeting as amended with the clarifications noted above.” - motion was approved unanimously.

**Review of Proposed Agenda**

Dan Gullickson will address the Council regarding the Pocket Park following Pastor’s Report rather than during New Business.

**Reports:**

**Pastor -**

***Activities since the April Council meeting:***

-prepared for toddler time, coordinated with preschool, advertising, crafts, organizing,

-had a basement clean out day

-taught Dallas powerpoint duties

-filled out and submitted Congregation Lead Initiative grant for $1000

-Beer and Hymns

-Attended Collegium gathering for Rostered Leaders in Alaska focusing on VOCARE which is a practice that focuses on vocation

-Attended the Alaska Synod Assembly

-created and printed new Summer bulletins

- attended festival of Homiletics continuing education

- traveled to Holden Village for continuing education, learning about sustainability, intentional communities, new evening prayer liturgies, and trip planning for a future trip to

-admin duties: PowerPoint and printing readings through August (goodbye printer!)

-weekly e-news

-visited Inge

***Pastor Anna’s Hours*** from April 14th thru June 2nd

Current schedule of 23 hours per week = 184 hours for 8 weeks.

Pastor worked a total of 138.5 hours in 5 work weeks and 70.5 hours in 2 weeks of Continuing Education or 209 hours total and used 1 week of vacation.

(Hours per week: 23/48.5/23/20/Vacation/2 weeks CE 70.5/24)

(20.5 hours carried over from last meeting in April)

(45.5 hours will carry over to next meeting in August)

***Future Activities:***

-admin future: Changing landline phone to cell phone/ google voice number, update print directory, talk to newcomers about becoming members

Continue to organize rooms downstairs, get new door signs

-Garden Party: June 17th

-Garden worship August 25th

-1 week off June 25- July 2 (need fill in June 30th), week off July 14-21st (need fill in July 21st), at Glacier Bible camp July 29th-August 3rd, 1 week off August 12-19th (need fill in August 18th)

**President**

-Boy Scouts changed liason to John Morrison.

-Office printer is still here, plan to get to Arctic Office.

-A new printer to meet our current needs will cost approximately $750.

Motion - Ky moved and Lavonne *seconded* – “to authorize up to $750 for a new printer.” - motion was approved unanimously.

**Treasurer** –

-No report provided.

- Linda requested the current balance at each Council meeting. The full details are not needed but having the bank balances will give us some idea of where we are financially between the quarterly reports.

**Building Maintenance** –

-No report provided.

**Old Business**

**Church Cell Phone**: Two options for the Church phone were discussed.

Option 1- to keep 907 as area code, we have go through AT&T ($25), GCI ($20), or ACS ($25). All these plans are paid per month for basic minutes/text, would need to buy a cheap cell phone or see if anyone has an old cell phone to donate.

Option 2- get Google voice for free (number would not be 907) which has voicemail forwarding to email, and app so anyone with a smart phone can be “handed off” the phone with the login. People would call the google voice number, but calls could be returned using

any phone number (members would get a return phone call from Pastor Anna’s personal phone number).

Currently church phone is never used to call people, only to receive messages which are checked sporadically. It would be nice to have a way for voicemail messages to go to email to be better attended to.

Motion – LaVonne moved and Ky seconded – “to have Pastor Anna set up Option 2 for the Church phone.” - motion was approved unanimously.

**Building Use Agreement**

Pastor Anna will revise the current Building Use Agreement with input received and send it to the Council for review. A decision to adopt or make additional revisions will be made at the next Council Meeting.

**New Business/ Future Business**

**Garden Plans – Dan Gullickson**

The Garden Committee obtained a layout/plan and cost estimate from Kelly’s landscaping to create a pocket park near the garden as a place of solace for memory. The cost estimate was broken into 3 phases:

• \_Stump & Brush Removal - $3,227

• \_Walkway with Planter Mounds - $6,427

• \_Main Sitting Area - $5,399

It was suggested that we consider moving forward with all 3 phases. The Garden fund has approximately $2,400-$3,000; there are still donations from last year that need to be followed up on; and Gary and Jeanette are continuing to work on obtaining grants for the garden. Also, there is a greenhouse at Costco waiting for donation to come through.

Ky’s recollection is $32,000 of the funds in the Memorial account was set aside to be used for neighborhood engagement and bringing new activity and new energy to the Church.

Motion – Carol moved and Lavonne seconded – “proceed with all three phases of developing the pocket park, with funds from the garden checking (leaving $1000 in that account) and additional needed funds from the memorial savings account.” - motion was approved unanimously.

**Decisions / Action Items Review:**

*John*-

Contact Lisa about our neighbors account,

Contact Paul Michaelson about the doors

Sign contract for the pocket park development

*Pastor Anna*-

Google Voice set up,

Contact Carol for cancelling phone service,

Revise the building use agreement

*Ky, Pastor Anna, John*- Find and purchase printer for the office.

*Carol* - Call ACS to cancel service.

**Next Council Meeting:** The next council meeting will be held August 4th at 11:30am.

**Closing Prayer:** Pastor Anna closed the meeting in prayer.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 1:09 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Roadifer

Secretary