

Peace Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes 2/19/2026



Opening Prayer – Pastor Lori

Call to Order

Members Present: Pastor Melissa Carmack, Pastor Lori Peper, Brandon Robinson, Joe Kahl, Vicki Koehler, Tim Pauley, Ryan Hanson

Mission Statement - "A Family of Christ, Spirit Led ~ Grace Fed."

1. Review the Secretary's Minutes
 - a. Motion by Tim Pauley, Second by Joe Kahl, Approved Unanimously.
2. Review the Treasurer's Report
 - a. A \$10,000 gift was applied to the operations fund to continue the good works of the church and to sustain our staffing.
 - b. Motion by Tim Pauley, Second by Ryan Hanson, Approved Unanimously.
3. Safety Policy Presentation – Drew Ekstrom
 - a. The council approves the refinement and development of a church safety plan, facilitated by Drew Ekstrom with an ad hoc committee. Drew will provide updates to the council and council members may participate in the process. Motion by Vicki Koehler, Second by Pastor Melissa Carmack, Approved Unanimously.
4. Ministry Reports
 - a. Consideration and/or Approval of any matters as they may pertain to recommendations from the Ministries
 - i. Consideration and approval of a new church member who attends virtually. Motion by Joe Kahl, Second Tim Pauley, Approved Unanimously.
5. Old Business
6. New Business
 - a. Technology Purchase Request
 - i. The consensus of the council was to hold on these purchases at this time due to financial constraints. The council requests that the technology is prioritized.
 - b. Handicapped Parking Request
 - i. Property Committee will address the number of handicapped parking signs.

- c. Peace Lutheran Church Furnace Project
 - d. Financing of Furnace Project
 - i. The church council has approved a furnace project capital campaign of \$150,000. Motion by Tim Pauley, Second by Vicki Koehler, Approved Unanimously.
 - ii. The church council is authorized to take out a loan or line of credit of up to \$150,000 for the furnace project. Motion by Tim Pauley, Second by Joe Kahl, Approved Unanimously.
 - e. Membership Project
 - i. The council discussed strategies to reach out to members who have not been engaged recently to encourage attendance and participation.
7. Other
8. Adjourn – Motion by Vicki Koehler, Second by Ryan Hanson, Approved Unanimously.

Closing Prayer

Lord's Prayer