

Peace Lutheran Church
Council Meeting MINUTES (UPDATED)
5/21/2026



Opening Prayer – Pastor Lori

Call to Order

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

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

1. Review the Secretary’s Minutes
 - a. No minutes were reviewed. Next month there will be the last two months reviewed. In addition, council meeting minutes will be added to the church website.
2. Review the Treasurer’s Report
 - a. \$9,900 was repaid from the checking to the savings account.
 - b. There was a motion by Pastor Melissa for one third of benevolences will be paid at this time. There was a second by Vicki, motion passed unanimously.
 - c. A generous gift of \$7400 was received from a family, to be added to the general fund.
 - d. There was a motion by Tim, second by Joe to approve the Treasurer’s Report.
3. Ministry Reports
 - a. Consideration and/or Approval of any matters as they may pertain to recommendations from the Ministries
 - i. The cemetery committee report – a question was asked about the cemetery mowing. The council decided, by consensus, that the church will pay for mowing. This includes the church property and the two cemeteries. The church may bill the cemetery committee for the cemetery’s prorated portion, if needed.
4. Old Business
 - a. New Congregation Member Update and Action
 - i. There was a motion by Vicki to approve new members. Second by Tim and approved unanimously.
 - b. Consideration of New Council Member and Office
 - i. Amber Chapman has resigned from the Council. We thank her for her years of service and leadership to the church and its ministries.
 - ii. Maria Hanson was nominated to the vacant council position.

- iii. There was a motion by Tim to approve Maria Hanson as a church council member. Second by Vicki and approved unanimously.
 - iv. There was a motion by Tim for Maria to be the council secretary. It was seconded by Ryan, approved unanimously.
 - c. Peace Lutheran Church HVAC Campaign and Project Update
 - i. The first invoice was received and paid.
 - ii. The crane placed the furnaces on the roof.
 - d. Child Care Lease Agreement – School District Request
 - i. The council directed that the school district be informed that the monthly lease amount will remain at the previously communicated increased amount.
- 5. Other
 - a. The Church Weekly Emails was discussed.
- 6. New Business
 - a. Closed Session
 - i. There was a motion by Tim and a second by Joe that the council convene into a closed session. Motion passed unanimously.
 - ii. Personnel Discussion
 - 1. The recommendations from the Personnel Committee were approved as presented. Motion by Ryan, Second by Joe, Approved Unanimously.
 - iii. There was a motion to adjourn closed session by Joe, seconded by Tim. Motion passed unanimously.
- 7. Adjourn
 - a. Motion by Joe, seconded by Ryan, Meeting Adjourned.

Closing Prayer - Brandon