

Tree of Life Lutheran Church
Council Meeting Minutes
June 8, 2016

The monthly meeting of the Congregational Council was called to order at 7:27pm by President Dennis McConnell. Council members present were: Dennis McConnell, President; Susan Blough, Secretary; Larry Anderson, Treasurer; Jim Voelz; Linda Baumgartner; Heidi Beckham; Chuck Will; Lawrence Zuehlke; Pastor Chris Lake; Ryan Dockery; Julie Weeks; guest Matt Hannes.

1. The Meeting began with an opening prayer by Pastor Chris.

2. A motion was made to adopt today's agenda by Heidi Beckham and was seconded by Larry Anderson.

3. The 05/11/2016 Minutes have not yet been approved.

4. Old Business
 - a. Stewardship Team plans are in the planning stage and Council will be updated in July and August.
 - b. The LEAD survey results will be discussed when everyone has completed the survey.

5. New Business
 - c. A new brokerage account will be set up at Fidelity in the place of Edward Jones because trades at Fidelity are just \$7.95. Any current stock in Edward Jones will be sold after the transfer and Heidi will have authorization to sell stock with Fidelity.
 - d. The office air conditioner is working now. A \$1,500 fix was performed; a repair would have cost \$8,000 and replacement would have cost \$16,000. The next time the unit fails, it will need to be replaced. The unit is not worth repairing over and over, sit it will be replaced as a capital improvement. Bunny will look into the replacement cost. The congregation will be notified of the office air conditioner situation. A motion to get an estimate to replace the office unit when it goes out again and pay for it from Seeds money was made by Jim Voelz and seconded by Larry Anderson. The motion carried.
 - e. There are no new members this month.

6. Money had to be borrowed from Seeds at the end of May to pay the mortgage after not having to borrow for the mortgage for almost four months. YTD expenses are under budget and YTD income is over budget through May. It was suggested that a detailed accounting of the Seeds account be put on the website to keep the congregation informed. A motion to accept the financials was made by Heidi Beckham and was seconded by Jim Voelz.

7. Pastoral Report was given by Pastor Chris Lake. John Burkwall is now providing music at the early service. Carrie Peterson is now moved into an office and is working with Pastor Chris. Four houses have been mucked and gutted since April 15 due to flooding.

8. With no further business, a motion was made to dismiss by Jim Voelz and was seconded by Pastor Chris. The meeting was adjourned at 9:20pm with a closing prayer.

Dennis McConnell, President

Susan Blough, Secretary