

Tree of Life Lutheran Church

Council Minutes

September 13, 2017

Members present – President - Dennis McConnell, Vice President – Jack Zimmer, Treasurer – Jim Voelz, Financial Secretary – Heidi Beckham, Secretary – Linda Baumgartner, and council members at large – Lawrence Zuehlke, Chuck Will, and Kirk Helberg.

Members absent – George Timmins

Meeting was called to order by President Dennis McConnell at 7:58

A. The meeting began with an opening prayer by Pastor Chris.

B Consent Agenda

1. Motion - Adopt tonight's agenda

2. Motion – Approve minutes from August 2, 2017 council meeting

Jack Zimmer motioned that the Consent Agenda be approved. Ge seconded. All in favor. The motion passed.

C. Discussion agenda

1. Old Business

- i. Chuck Will reported that the roof project is complete. The leaks to the roof were repaired in Fellowship Hall around the steeple. The light bulbs have been replaced and the lights readjusted in the sanctuary. The \$1,000 deductible was paid out of the general fund. The \$235.00 for light bulb replacement, as well as the rental cost of the lift, were paid for by Redemption Roofing.
- ii. The final AC bill for the office area is \$24,547.90. The funds raised in an appeal totaled \$13,985.00. The difference will be paid for out of the SEEDS account.

2. New Business

- i. A motion was made by Jim Voelz and seconded by Heidi Beckham that we purchase two trailers for \$5,100 out of the Harvey Funds. (One of the trailers would be purchased from the Methodist Church. It's 27 feet long and will come completely equipped.) All were in favor and the motion passed.

- ii. The Harvey Fund has \$15,000 in the trailer line and \$9,448.37 in the supplies line.
- iii. Jack Zimmer reported for the Stewardship team.
 - Kirk Helberg has consented to be co-chair.
 - All the temple talks have been assigned. The temple talks will be extended to include The Well service on Wednesday nights beginning with September 13. Every temple talk will be followed up by a 90 second announcement regarding pledge cards and Celebration Sunday – October 22.
 - Jack has sent an email to those who do not come regularly to church regarding Stewardship and Celebration Sunday.
 - Pledge cards will be available starting September 24. Council was encouraged to pledge early.

3. Pastor's Report:

Pastor Chris shared the members who were visited by either Pastor Larry or himself.

Margaret Chomin passed away. Pastor Larry will conduct her service on September 24.

Carrie is carrying a full load this semester. Pastor Chris will take over the lead for the Wednesday night service.

Emily took the lead on organizing the shelter from Hurricane Harvey. She did an exceptional job.

Pastor is looking forward to supporting TEAMS and firming up the Care Team. He thanked all the team members for their work during his sabbatical.

Having completed all the business. The meeting was declared to be over at 9:22, Pastor lead council in the saying the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Baumgartner, Secretary