

EKLC October Council Minutes October 21, 2015

Meeting called to order by Sonja Christensen at 6:32 p.m.

Attendance: Pastor Brenda, Elizabeth Kaashagen, Sonja Christensen, Don Amundson, Hilary Terland, Brian Rosenthal, Sharon Jacobson, Roger Evenson, Brenda Schroeder

Devotions: Pastor shared "Gentle Shepherds" from 60 Short Devotions for Church Meetings by John Stuart. Micah 5: 4, 5a

Amendment to the August 19, 2015 meeting minutes regarding offering envelopes:

Minutes state:

Offering Envelopes:

Give them to:

Inactive members not communed or given ***** this statement should be removed*****

Motion to amend the August 19, 2015, meeting minutes to remove the statement "Inactive members not communed or given" was made by Brenda Schroeder, seconded by Hilary Terland. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the September 16, 2015, meeting minutes was made by Hilary Terland, seconded by Don Amundson. Motion carried.

Financial Report:

Expenses exceeded income by \$2,755.00. September did not bring in as many General Offerings as August.

The Building Loan is down to \$7,039.62. Can we get it to \$0 by the end of the year?

On the budget under "Fuel-Church & Parsonage" it is showing a - \$9.49 as balance remaining. What was happening is the money the Terlands were paying for the fuel was being put into miscellaneous income and not offsetting the fuel expense. Council asked Elizabeth to do a journal entry and move the dollars the Terlands paid from miscellaneous income to Fuel-Church & Parsonage.

Council also requested that the description on the budget, "Electric -Church and Parsonage" be updated to remove the word Parsonage. The Parsonage has their own meter and is being billed directly to the Terlands.

Sharon Jacobson is taking over as treasurer for her Circle, Steadfast. Sharon will need to sign a new signature page at the Unity Community Bank in Cambridge.

Budget requests are trickling in.

Motion to approve the September financial reports was made by Don Amundson, seconded by Brenda Schroeder. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Companies that submitted bids for floor waxing are calling for status. It was decided that Sonja would tell ZMB out of Watertown, that we going to be putting it on hold until May 2016. It was decided to tell Galaxy out of Janesville that we are not interested. Council was concerned about the service received from Galaxy in bid process.

New Business:

Questions arose about lending out tables and chairs. Per the WELCA Handbook (page 29 of the 2015 book) it states "No tables, chairs, dishes, coffee pots, or any kitchen utensil and equipment may be taken from the church." When Sonja questioned the women as to why the women and not council had say over lending them out. It was stated that the women of the church purchased them. It was stated that if council wishes to loan them out that is fine, but then council should take responsibility for any lost or damaged items.

Hilary will work on a guideline, and a check in, check out form for

borrowing the above items. She will review with Carolyn Lien and Julie. The guideline and form will be brought to the next council meeting.

Reports:

President's Report:

See attached report

Pastor's Report:

Attendance better some Sundays not so good on some People are asking about giving out of response to God's Grace. What is the vision of the church?

Performed Dieckhoff wedding on 10/10/15

Confirmation is 10/25/15. Hilary will present the confirmands

All Saints Day is 11/1/15

Getting ready for Advent, Lent and Easter

Standing Committee Reports:

Worship & Music:

See attached report dated 10/7/15

Education/Youth:

No Meeting

Property:

Items on the projects list are continuing to be added and completed.

Stewardship:

Mailing sent to members along with annual pledge cards
Pledge cards to be turned in at 11/8/15 service if possible.
Members can mail them in if they wish.

Personnel:

Sonja, Trudy and Lynette are conducting performance evaluation discussion with the paid personnel of the church.

ARK:

No report

Aagot Borge Committee:

See attached report dated 10/19/15

A Fall Maintenance Checklist was also created. See attached.

Motion to approve all standing reports was made by Brenda Schroeder, seconded by Brian Rosenthal. Motion carried.

Don Amundson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8: 05 pm, seconded by Hilary Terland . Motion carried.

Adjournment – Closed with the Lord's Prayer

Next meeting Wednesday, November 18th, at 6:30 p.m.