

September Council minutes *Thursday, September 21, 2017 6:30pm*

Call to Order by President, Barb Klemp at 6:30 P.M. Those in attendance: Vicki Schuh, Pastor Brenda, Barb Klemp, Don Amundson, Brian Rosenthal, Diane Luginbuhl, Brenda Schroeder, Johnnie Jacobson.

Motion to adopt the agenda made by Don, second by Brian. No discussion, motion passed.

Devotions – by Pastor Brenda asking where would Jesus live?

Guests – Tim Jacobson gave a talk on granite, the sealing of it and maintaining it for its lifetime as it would apply to installation in the kitchen.

Approval of Minutes: from August, 2017 . Motion to accept these minutes by Brenda, second by Johnnie. No discussion, motion passed.

1. Treasurer: Financials - Elizabeth reported that income exceeded expenses by \$3,130. General Offerings missed the budget goal by \$1,156. General Offerings were more than those for August of 2016 by \$3,098. To date, General offerings are \$13,997 more than for the same time last year. However, overall, we are behind \$6,147 as we compare income to expenses. Council has discussed and agreed to transfer money from the Money Market repair line to the general fund to cover expenses for the well repair and cleaning to cover the budget shortfall. Lein Plumbing charged \$1,415.83 and Sink to Septic Plumbing charged \$262.50. Motion made to approve the financial reports by Brenda, second by Brian. No discussion, passed.

2. Treasurer – Don revisited the decision to use Trust Fund monies to promote the church and increase the mission of the church. Council members will be willing to explain and answer questions about this to the interested members during a coffee hour. All committees will need to give their needs for the 2018 budget by October 23rd. Please notify the office and leave the information with Julie.

3. Old Business

a. Education committee recommending background checks for all Sunday School/Confirmation teachers

i. Waiting for receipt of policy from education committee as they are still working on this.

b. Kitchen remodeling committee working on a proposal to bring to the congregation for this project.

c. Myron Fosdal memorial – This will be discussed next month.

i. Any update on committee members

ii. Any updates on Fosdal family

d. Decorating the church – Article was put in newsletter and no response yet.

e. Thank you's to several people who have spent much time doing work for the church and special events.

f. Church Mutual – brief synopsis - Vicki shared information on calling an RN hotline if there are any injuries to receive a triage over the phone before going to the ER. There are posters around the church.

g. Portico will be tabled until next month

h. Stewardship Committee – brief Community Café update - Brenda reported we served 247 people and there was great participation, in fact, there was extra food. Our church is scheduled to serve in September, 2018.

4. New Business

a. Lutheran Campus Ministry serves students on college campuses and we will take a special offering on Reformation Sunday, October 29th to benefit this. We will need to order bulletin inserts and worship resources to inform our members of this opportunity.

b. Church Mutual offers personnel information as part of their services.

c. Community Service for holiday season? We discussed sponsoring holiday meals for families in need. Also, Christmas Caroling to shut ins and delivery of homemade treats is another option.

d. Hurricane Relief from the noisy can offering brought in \$860.

e. Set Annual Meeting Date for February 4th, 2018 following the 9 A.M. service.

f. October 8th is the date for a Stewardship Conference at Covenant Lutheran in Stoughton. This runs from 2:30-4:00.

g. November 4th there will be a Connect Team and Council Mission Retreat in the morning at church.

h. Floor Estimate report from Johnnie. Cloute from Fort would strip the marble floor in the basement, and strip the tile in the education wing and then finish them. Looking for more estimates to compare.

Reports:

5. President

6. Pastor

7. Worship & Music

8. Education/Youth

9. Property

10. Stewardship

11. Personnel

12. Mutual Ministry

13. ARK – Alive and Rockin at Koshkonong!

14. 125th Anniversary Church Celebration Upper Church, Motion made to accept all reports made by Johnnie, second by Barb. No discussion, passed.

Motion to adjourn made by Brenda, second by Johnnie. Meeting adjourned at 8:52.

Close with Lord's Prayer

Next Meeting: October 19, 2017 @ 6:30 p.m.

Your partner in Christ,

Vicki Schuh