

## Council Meeting Minutes 8.3.15

Jill called meeting to order at 7:05pm.

Sandy moved, Brian seconded to approve the agenda. Motion passed.

Correspondence: A concerned congregation member once again brought up the placement of the altar. It was previously discussed at a council meeting and the current council decided that no changes were needed.

Neil moved, Brian seconded to approve the Secretary's minutes. Motion passed.

Sandy moved to take \$378.59 from the Memorial Fund to pay for landscaping (from the budgeted amount agreed upon at an earlier council meeting) and \$184.00 from the Wiota Repair and Maintenance fund to pay for servicing the A/C units. Mark seconded. Motion passed.

Our Financial Secretary is on vacation and Connie is concerned that we may not have money to pay bills through the middle of August (until offering is once again counted and deposited). Brian moved, Elsa seconded to authorize Connie to use up to \$2,000.00 from the Memorial fund to pay bills as needed. Motion passed.

Mark moved, Neil seconded to approve the Treasurer's Report. Motion passed.

### **Pastoral Care:**

Our emergency pastoral care contact is Craig Simenson from Grace Lutheran Church in Darlington through the month of August. He will be on vacation at the end of August and Jill is working on finding a secondary contact.

Alan Berndt-Dryer is our student minister from Wartburg for the month of August.

Our interim pastor will begin on September 6. She and her husband will be moving into the parsonage the weekend before Labor Day.

Karl Seffrood, Miles Carper, Anna Carper, Jayden Saalsaa and Ben Cooper were confirmed on July 26, 2015.

Elsa moved, Brian seconded to approve the Pastoral Care Report. Motion passed.

### **Committee Reorganization:**

Education: Courtney and Sandy agreed to help out with the Education committee. Courtney took the responsibility of chairperson. Sunday School will be starting on September 13.

Evangelism: Okay as is.

Stewardship: Brian volunteered to help out on the Stewardship committee. Elsa took the responsibility of chairperson.

Worship: Okay as is.

Property: Okay as is.

### **Committee Reports:**

Education: the Education committee will be meeting after council tonight to make a game plan for Sunday School.

Evangelism: the garden is going strong. They are still handing out church directories. God's Work, Our Hands Sunday is coming up in September and the committee is working on a list of projects to work on.

Stewardship: The committee will be working on a plan to get Time and Talent sheets filled out. There has been a large amount of people withdrawing their names from the Time and Talent 'duty' list. It was decided that there will be an announcement and sign-up sheet.

Worship: The blessing of the backpacks will be coming up soon. Our interim pastor will be handling it. Brian moved, Mark seconded to allow Connie Bocklund to have a key to get into the office because she and Todd are currently sharing cleaning supplies. Motion passed.

Property: Mark and Jeremiah opened up the septic to put the risers on. It is now serviceable. The motion light outside the church isn't working. Mark will be replacing it.

Brian moved, Courtney seconded to approve the committee reports. Motion passed.

#### **Unfinished Business:**

Financial Secretary: We have an interested party in the open position.

Harvest Ball: The Harvest celebration is getting moved up a week to October 17 from 5-9pm. The evangelism committee will be planning it.

#### **New Business:**

Interim Contract

Kitchen Appliances: The women's group is talking about replacing appliances in the kitchen.

Vacant Council Seats: There are 3 vacant positions on council. One of them is for 4 months and council decided not to fill this position. There are 2 other positions open for 2 years and 4 months. Council will wait until our Interim Pastor comes before making any decisions.

Parsonage Cleanup: The property committee will be doing a walk-through of the parsonage before the interim arrives.

Worship Time: Courtney moved, Brian seconded to change worship time to 10:30am from Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup> 2015 through Sunday, May 9<sup>th</sup> 2016 to allow time for Sunday School before worship. Motion passed.

Mark moved, Kaylynne seconded to adjourn. Motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at 9:00pm.