

Council Meeting Minutes: 4/14/14

Craig Jorgenson had excused absence.

Curt called meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

Mark moved, Jill seconded to approve the agenda. Motion passed.

Sandy moved, Jalaine seconded to approve Secretary's minutes from March. Motion passed.

Sandy moved, Carmen seconded to approve Treasurer's report. Motion passed.

Pastor Luke gave the Pastor's report:

Painting during service continues.

The altar was rearranged for Palm Sunday, gave a fresh/new perspective.

There will be a baptism at Easter Vigil.

Pastor had 3 funerals and 1 wedding since last month's meeting.

Connie moved, Mark seconded to approve Pastor's report. Motion passed.

Committee Reports:

Education:

The position of Sunday School Superintendent will be opened to the congregation. Vacation Bible School will possibly be the first duty of the new superintendent.

Evangelism:

The Syttendai Mai service will be posted in the community events section of the Republican Journal as an invitation to non-members to join us.

The committee is continuing to work on getting information to have a new directory made. Tentative plans are in place for sometime mid-August.

Stewardship:

The committee is continuing to explore options for our own church website, and possibly the creation of an informal committee to gather information (including layout and content).

Plans have started regarding the creation of a community garden. More information needs to be gathered from congregation and community members.

Worship:

There is a lot of “behind-the-scenes” action going on right now regarding work being done for Holy Week. There are a lot of fun things coming up.

Property:

The committee has collected 2 different lawn mowing bids. One from Randy Paulson and one from Trevor Johnson. Connie moved, Jalaine seconded to give the job to Randy Paulson. Motion passed.

Dennis Johnsen will be taking a second look at the parsonage roof, which needs to be re-done.

Recently, it has come to the attention of various congregation members that there are a few church windowsills that need to be replaced as they are rotting out.

The church is out of the large light bulbs. Mark was able to get them for us last time, and will do so again this time (and will be reimbursed by the church).

Nick Metz has offered to sweep up the church and parsonage lawn before lawn mowing begins.

Highway clean-up day has been set for Saturday, April 26, beginning at 8am.

Sandy moved, Mark seconded to approve the Committee Reports. Motion passed.

Unfinished Business:

Financial Secretary: Curt talked to Matt about the logistics and possibility of the financial secretaries working from home.

Sandy moved, Jill seconded that it be stated in the Secretary’s minutes that Brooke Ames has filled the vacant Financial Secretary position left open when Rachel Jenson stepped down. Motion passed.

Thank you, Rachel for all that you have done!!

New Business:

Lenten Paintings: The council discussed what will be done with the paintings when the season is over. Chloe Thorson’s co-workers donated a portion of the money that has been used for supplies. The council decided that an appreciation/recognition letter will be sent to them to show what they have helped create. Regarding what will be done with the paintings, possibilities include: hanging them in the Monroe Hospital (with administration approval), hanging them in the fellowship hall for the congregation to continue to enjoy.

Equipment/Procedure Policy: Through much discussion and reflection on our Mission Statement (“Reaching out to congregation, community and world; Inviting all to hear and see the Gospel of

Jesus Christ proclaimed.”) it was decided that church property may be loaned out at the discretion of both Pastor Luke and the President of the council. Sandy moved, Carmen seconded. Motion passed.

Pastor’s Mileage Log: Concerns have arisen over Luke’s mileage log. Due to privacy concerns, it will not be published. The treasurer receives the log from Luke and verifies the mileage. The current mileage reimbursement rate is the same as that of the IRS for 2014.

Newsletter Cover Image: Through some discussion of the council, it was decided that because the Wiota church is the primary place of worship, the current picture will remain on the front of the Word.

Elsa moved, Mark seconded to adjourn. Motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at 9:26pm.