



# ZION Lutheran Church

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## Zion Lutheran Church Meeting Minutes June 21, 2017

**Called to order at 6:03 pm.**

**Present:** Mike, Pastor Scott, Melody, Gordon, Al, Shari, Tammy, Bonnie, Betsy, Doug, Coleen, Nancy

**Absent:** None

**Open Devotions:** Mike Eidahl

**Sound Off:** None

**Minutes from Church Council Meeting of May 6, 2017:** Motion to approve Al and Nancy 2nd.  
*Motion Passed.*

**Learning/Education Segment by Pastor Ludford:** Pastor hopes to lead us about stewardship and faith, and the ministries we are supporting. Ministries that we do outside of church (exercise group, pick up from school, garden group). We are kind of like a “private club”. The staff people that are involved and time that is given. Pastor wants us to look at the church as we are “new” members. What do visitors see? The signage for outside, inside, ushers. A lot of churches shut down for the summer, but we stay open. Soon we will be blessed with the new sanctuary and thinking how we are going to improve. Make people aware of what greatness we have going on here at Zion. Pastor is hoping for 100 new members at this time next year.

**Financial Report by Gordon:** See attached handout of finances from 5/2017. \$4300.00 came in this month for the renovation. Accounts payable we went through all the bills through 7/16/2017. Melody approved and Bonnie 2nd.  
*Motion Passed.*

Look at maybe getting a credit card for the church instead of everybody using their personal credit cards to purchase things for the church. Had a discussion on this.

**Endowment Committee Appointment:** Brian Grieves has approved to be on this committee. Meets once a year to go through accounts and what the balances are. Applications inside the congregation for scholarships and outside non-profit applications. Meet in August. Bonnie volunteered to be on this committee seeing we needed another person. Betsy approved and Tammy 2nd to approve two new appointments. *Motion Passed.*

**Finance and Audit Committee Reports:** Audit was done by Char Larsen, Ron Malueg, and Robert Little.

Al met with insurance representative to go over our coverage. Maybe to increase our deductible. And be more attentive at locking the church and have it locked when no one is here. More discussion to come about this.

Chuck Bruhn, Barb Ash and Scott Glysch are on Stewardship Committee (one of them to come to Council meeting once a month).

After June 30th quarterly in September will be given out to members.

**Property Committee: Technology-Internet-Security.** We have the equipment, but just needs to get done. Doug states he will talk with Tracy Ray about his help getting this done. Doug did some 3-D pictures to see where we can put the projector in the back of the church (possibly put in last pew of church?). Can we afford to lose seating? Doug is questioning who can do this and where the money would come from to do this. A desk that you can lock up. Al said maybe to look at other churches and see what kind of set up they have for this. Money come out of building fund to do this? To get some numbers together to see how much this would cost to do all of this. Tammy suggested to get ahold of Dan Fritz from Torborg's to have him look at what we have and see what he

could do. A financial group maybe to get together and plan this and see what the numbers come to. If the numbers come in big enough, to have the congregation to approve this. Would like to keep the congregation informed and up to date on what's going on. Location of sound booth to be on the right side way back closest to the stain glass windows. Doug approved this and Betsy second. Make a motion of the sound equipment location and what to do with the pews if we need to cut them in half or not.

Ceiling Fans - Doug found some that are about \$200 a piece. Talked about three of them and one by the balcony due to the balcony being warm when the choir is up there. Shari approved and Al 2nd. **Motion Passed.** Doug will order them.

**Personnel Committee:** June 27 – Mike would like to schedule a meeting at about 5:00.

Scott Pederson works 23 hours a week here at Zion (but he is working more hours then this). Scott is picking up hours with the renovation construction crew working on the church.

**Nominating Committee:** Mike is looking for another person to be on this committee. Brian Grieves, Shari, and Dr. Mindy are on the committee, and we would need a person from Council to be on this (Bonnie). Shari came up with a few names of people who might be interested so Mike will get ahold of them to see if they are interested.

**Application for Reinstatement of Membership:** Peter and Lori Hintz applied for reinstatement. Shari motioned to approve and Bonnie 2nd to reinstate them. **Motion Passed.**

**40th Year at the Park** - Mike suggested doing lemonade, juice, coffee and possibly desserts. This would be the last Sunday in July to do this. Suggested to do down by the “playground” so kids could play and parents and members could mingle. To put in focus for people to make bars, cookies etc. Al suggested to maybe buy a tree for a special dedication for our 40 year service at the park and plant it somewhere. He will talk with Keith Marquardt regarding this.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Property: Eagle Scout Project**-Move the storage shed by the garage, can we move this physically over by the garden so people at the garden can use this for their rakes, shovels, etc. Is this a project that we want undertaken by Benjamin Smits (Eagle Scout). This is his graduation project. Fellow scouts, board, parents would have to get this all approved first. Doug will contact Ben that he can go ahead with this project. Betsy approved and Doug 2nd. **Motion Passed.**

**Education:** 70 kids for VBS here at Zion. 28 helpers.

**Youth:** NYG is coming up next summer (Houston). Youth is going to do a snack pack (brat, water, bag of chips and bar or cookie for 5.00). Family pays 100.00 per student, and five hours of fundraising and six hours of stewardship per child that they are working to go. 11 hours between now and May of next year. Shari would like to make the time feasible for the kids to do this. Service projects together as a group to get to know each other.

**Accept 5 Committee Reports** – Al approved, Betsy 2nd. **Motion Passed.**

**Closing Prayer:** Lord's Prayer

**Meeting Adjourned:** 7:52 pm

Completed in God's service by:  
*Coleen Ray, Council Secretary*