



ZION Lutheran Church

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REV. SCOTT LUDFORD
Senior Pastor

MIKE EIDAHL
Council President

Zion Lutheran Church Meeting Minutes October 17, 2017

Called to order at 6:05 pm.

Present: Al, Melody, Mike, Pastor Scott, Gordon, Coleen, Betsy, Sharie, Doug, Tammy

Absent: Nancy

Open Devotions: Pastor Scott

Sound Off: None

Minutes from Council Meeting of 9/19/2017: Sharie approved, Gordon seconded.

Learning/Education Segment by Pastor Ludford. "Breakout Churches" Churches that are declining/churches that are growing. Al states we have made some great strides, but we do have our challenges; budget, custodian positions in the future, parish nurse.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Accounts Payable/Contributions: handout given. Motion to pay bills Betsy approved and Al second this.

Finance Committee: Al states he is meeting with insurance person on Tuesday at 9:30 to discuss security, garden, and strong bones. 140 people of the congregation (members) who have not contributed this year. One credit card to administrative assistant, and meeting with committees to discuss this. Al said a lot of churches do not have credit cards. Al approved credit card to Adm. Assistant and Melody 2nd.

Budget: Handout given, those in committees to give their budgets for 2018. Gordon would like these before next council meeting.

Zion Sanctuary Renovation Project - funding plan handed out by Gordon. Total cost of project was \$267,499 for renovation of church, \$7,500 less than plan. Which included new pews. Disbursements was listed on back. Gordon approved and Doug 2nd.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Property walk-through - Maybe do a walk through before next Council meeting on little things that need to be done throughout the church.
2. New Member Applications- Steve and Ashley Laude along with Lane and Myles transfer from St. Jakobi Lutheran Church, and Alette and Cole Wesener from St. James. Sharie approved, and Betsy 2nd. Transferring out- Brian Retzlaff to St. James Church. Al approved and Melody 2nd.
3. New Christmas Trees- Old trees are in bad shape. Karen Childs was questioning two new trees that are 10-15 feet high. To get some cost on some new ones. Questioning to get money for this out of Memorial Funds. Approximately \$3,000 for two new Christmas trees for the front of the church. Al to approve this and Tammy 2nd for alter guild to spend up to \$3,000 for new Christmas trees.
4. New Computer needed for Sunday school room. 400-500 for new computer. Maybe add another one for the new sound booth that is going to fit and serve the purpose. Use old computer in sound booth maybe use it for confirmation??? We will wait till next month to discuss Sunday school computer and Mike will talk with Jenny Hansen. Al approved and Gordon 2nd this to wait till next month.

5. Radio advertising for Christmas- we declined for this year.
6. County Map Advertising- for \$495.00 we would get a section in the map. These would be at Chamber of Commerce, and on website. We declined to do this.
7. Gordon is going to a meeting with an attorney tomorrow night regarding an Estate of Lois Kruse (Anita's sister).

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Church in Society: Wee Care is being taken care of.

Education: Minutes not done per Betsy

Health Ministry: Nutrition meetings are going well on Sunday mornings

Life & Growth: None.

Property: Doug put in LED lighting tonight. This Thursday night at 7:00, to discuss sound booth and what they want to do with that.

Worship & Music: Report handed out

Youth Committee: taking over the coffee. Making coffee and serving coffee. Providing cookies/bars, and maybe order ½ of the donut holes. Pallets into Christmas trees and selling them at cookie sale. November 12th will be painting them with youth. Money will go to help support Youth Fund and cookies National Youth Gathering.

Motion to accept all committee meeting minutes: Al approved and Melody 2nd this.

Closing Prayer: Lord's Prayer

Meeting Adjourned:

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