



ZION Lutheran Church

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REV. SCOTT LUDFORD
Senior Pastor

Council President

Zion Lutheran Church Council Meeting September 21, 2021 – 6pm at Zion

Call to Order: Vice-President Al Wichmann at 6:01 pm.

Present: Al Wichmann, Pastor Scott, Scott Glysch, Mike Eidahl, Ginny Vraney, Bobbi Krozell, Dan Krone, Steve Laude and Julie Effenberger

Absent: Nancy Schultz

Devotions: Pastor Scott

Sound Off: None

1. **Approval of Minutes:** Motion made by Ginny and seconded by Scott Glysch to approve the minutes as printed for the August 17, 2021 Council meeting. *Motion carried.*
2. **Treasurer's Report**
 - a. **Accounting Fund Balance** – Mike explained that there was no Accounting Fund Balances Report included tonight as they are presently trying to work out some errors in the software system. They have been in contact with Zach Linsmeyer from KerberRose, who did our audit, and will be meeting with him in the near future to discuss the errors. They hope to have the issues resolved and a new report for next month's council meeting.
 - b. **Accounts Payable** – Mike reviewed the bills to be paid and then Bobbi made the motion, seconded by Steve to approve the bills for payment. *Motion carried.*
3. **Finance Committee:** Al noted that the Finance Committee met yesterday via Zoom in which they discussed the issues with the audit and the Accounting Fund Balances Report. Also, there will be some CD investment funds coming due in the upcoming month that will be discussed at next month's meeting.
4. **Old Business**
 - a. **Furnace Replacement Update:** Steve informed the council that now one of the air conditioning units has quit working and the other is malfunctioning. Zimdars worked on one and had noted repairs would be very costly as the units are quite old. Zimdars suggested we order new ones now for next spring as there will be a price increase coming at year end and then he could store them for us over the winter and install them next spring. Zimdars will write up an estimate and get it back to Steve so we can address the issue of price increases.
5. **New Business**

- a. **Membership Release:** A motion was made by Mike and seconded by Scott Glysch to accept the request for membership release from Monica Wittrock. *Motion carried.*
- b. **Camera Equipment:** Pastor Scott met with Clint WhiteHorse and reviewed the camera equipment he is offering for sale to Zion for \$5,736. This camera equipment has been stored at Zion since using it at the Synod Assembly in May. It is professional equipment which Pastor Scott and Zion members have used and was highly recommended from those who have used it. A motion was made by Bobbi and seconded by Ginny to approve writing a grant from the Lois Kruse Benevolent Fund #15 to pay Clint WhiteHorse \$5,736 for the camera equipment listed on the attached page. *Motion carried.*
- c. **Flag Pole:** Pastor Scott shared that Don Anderson, who is a member of our church and a member from the area Veterans Group asked if they could donate a flag pole to be installed at Zion Church. This is in recognition and thankfulness of Pastor Scott and Zion Church always participating in Veterans events around the area. Motion was made by Steve and seconded by Bobbi to postpone approval of a flag pole to October's council meeting so specifications and site selection can be researched. *Motion carried.*

Committee Reports. Refer to printed reports available.

- **Church and Society**
- **Education**
- **Health Ministry** – Minutes attached. Ginny reminded everyone that a blood drive will be held at Zion on September 27th. Their committee went and purchased clothing that was direly needed and taken to Fort McCoy for the refugees. Also, October is *Socktober*, please fill the church bin with socks that will be taken to Safe Haven and Sam 25.
- **Life & Growth** – Bobbi noted she hadn't been able to do birthday signs as of late but will be getting back to them.
- **Property**
- **Stewardship**
- **Worship & Music** – Minutes attached. Al mentioned on Nancy's behalf that they are looking at recording the Thanksgiving Eve service ahead of time due to poor attendance in the past.
- **Youth**

Motion to accept all committee reports was made by Mike, seconded by Scott Glysch. *Motion carried.*

Al mentioned he may do a Zoom meet with several members to brainstorm on how to get the committee structure back working and how to pursue council member participation. He will keep us advised of their suggestions. A motion was then made by Julie and seconded by Bobbi to adjourn meeting at 6:51 pm. *Motion carried.*

Respectfully submitted,
Julie Effenberger, Council Secretary