



ZION Lutheran Church

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REV. SCOTT LUDFORD
Senior Pastor

Council President

Zion Lutheran Church Council Meeting May 18, 2021 – 6pm via ZOOM

Call to Order: Vice-President Al Wichmann at 6:00 pm.

Present: Al Wichmann, Pastor Scott, Bobbi Krozell, Mike Eidahl, Ginny Vraney, Steve Laude, Nancy Schultz and Dan Krone

Absent: Julie Effenberger, Scott Glysch

Devotions: Ginny Vraney

Sound Off: None

1. **Approval of Minutes:** Motion made by Ginny and seconded by Bobbi to approve the minutes as printed for the April 20th, 2021 Council meeting. **Motion carried.**
2. **Treasurer's Report**
 - a. **Accounting Fund Balance** - Mike briefly reviewed the Accounting Fund Balances.
 - b. **Accounts Payable** - Mike made the motion, seconded by Dan to approve the bills for payment and to also recognize the Accounting Fund Balances report. **Motion carried.**
3. **Finance Committee** – Al stated that the Finance Committee Report is attached and sections of it will be discussed in Old and New Business coming up next.
4. **Old Business**
 - a. **Furnace Replacement Update:** Steve stated that the Property Committee decided to go with Zimdars Heating and Cooling for replacing the furnaces. There was a price increase of \$66.45 per unit, resulting in \$265.80 added to the bid for a total of \$15,850. Al noted that the Finance Committee said the money would be taken out of the Undesignated Fund at this point as half the money has to be paid down now when ordering the furnaces. A motion was made Bobbi, seconded by Ginny to approve spending of \$16,000 to be drawn from the Undesignated Fund for the furnace replacements. **Motion carried.**

Steve did state that we will not have air conditioning in the sanctuary until the new furnaces are installed as we need the blowers from the furnaces for the air conditioning. With the motion carried, the furnaces will be ordered immediately and they will be installed as soon as they are received.
 - b. **Other:** It was unanimously agreed upon to meet in person for next months council meeting.
5. **New Business**
 - a. **Technology Stipend:** Mike advised the council that Chris Dalke will be paid a \$2,000 stipend for all the hours of technological work he has put in at Zion in the last year. The money would be taken

from the Lois Kruse Benevolence Fund. A motion was made by Mike and seconded by Nancy to approve the \$2,000 stipend to Chris Dalke. ***Motion carried.***

- b. **Investment Transfer:** Al noted they had talked with John Stang from Edward Jones who had suggested a very low risk mutual and bond fund to invest the monies that had matured from the ladder CDs (money bequeathed from the Lois Kruse Estate) as those rates are very low right now. Al made the motion which was seconded by Mike to approve the transfer of investment money to the low risk mutual and bond fund. ***Motion carried.***
- c. **Computer and Software Approval:** Pastor Scott reminded the council that right before the pandemic hit last year the council had approved \$5,000 for the upgrading of the 3 office computers, which Doug Wegner had been working on. With the pandemic and shortage of computers, nothing transpired on this issue. Recently, Chris Dalke has aided Debbie in our search so we can now purchase 4 computers (including replacing the sanctuary computer) for \$4,000. Since it is a new council from March of 2020 a new motion was made by Steve and seconded by Dan to approve spending \$4,000 in computers and software for Zion's office and sanctuary. ***Motion carried.***
- d. **Other:** Ginny asked if there were any changes to ushering out at the park services and stated they need more help ushering. Pastor Scott and Nancy advised we would be handling the services the same as last summer.

Committee Reports. Refer to printed reports available.

- **Church and Society**
- **Education**
- **Health Ministry** – Minutes attached. Ginny noted that they are now working with Hope Church for blood drives. Zion will host 2 blood drives and Hope will host 2 and therefore there will be a larger pool of people to draw from.
- **Life & Growth** – Bobbi noted they are looking further into doing Happy Birthday signs for our members.
- **Property**
- **Stewardship**
- **Worship & Music** – Minutes attached. Nancy mentioned that they will be honoring the graduating seniors this Sunday in between services.
- **Youth**

Motion to accept all committee reports was made by Mike and seconded by Steve. ***Motion carried.***

Closing Devotion: Pastor Scott

Motion to adjourn meeting at 6:40 pm made by Mike and seconded by Nancy. ***Motion carried.***

Respectfully submitted,
Julie Effenberger, Council Secretary