



# ZION Lutheran Church

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**REV. SCOTT LUDFORD**  
Senior Pastor

**BOB HASS**  
Council President

## Zion Lutheran Church Council Meeting March 15, 2022 – 6pm at Zion

**Call to Order:** President Bob Hass at 6:00 pm.

**Present:** Bob Hass, Mike Eidahl, Ginny Vraney, Nancy Schultz, Steve Laude, Michael Sleeper, Judy Laude, Keith Milner, Pastor Scott Ludford and Julie Effenberger.

**Absent:** None

**Devotions:** Nancy

**Sound Off:** None

1. **Pastor's Report:** Pastor Scott advised the council he's busy keeping up with Lent and that the confirmation mentor program is really going well. He will also be officiating two funerals this week.
2. **Approval of Minutes:** Motion was made by Ginny and seconded by Michael Sleeper to approve the minutes as printed for the February 15, 2022 Council Meeting. *Motion carried.*
3. **Treasurer's Report**
  - a. **Accounting Fund Balance** – Mike pointed out that Zion has had a slow start in receiving donations this year, ending the month of February with a General Fund balance of -\$10,724.08. He posted a notice in the Focus advising the congregation to keep their donations in mind. He noted that Fund #31-Community Garden, has an additional \$443 deposit, giving it a new balance of \$1,854.69. Michael Sleeper asked if the #16 and #20 Investment Funds ever show the gains and losses and Mike Eidahl pointed out its hard to keep up with the fluctuations but he will look into adding that to the Accounting Fund Balance Report.
  - b. **Accounts Payable** – Mike then reviewed the bills to be paid. A motion was made by Julie and seconded by Judy to approve both the Accounting Fund Balance Report and approve the bills listed for payment. *Motion carried.*
4. **Finance Committee:** Mike Eidahl, who serves on the Finance Committee, stated they did not meet so there was nothing new to report.
5. **Old Business**
  - a. **Council Positions:** Bob noted that we still have council positions open and we should all actively solicit these positions to members of the congregation. Ginny asked if it was possible to have one of the ladies who helps with the Wee Care Program be a representative for the Church in Society Committee as we haven't had a representative on the council for some time now. Pastor said he would mention it to them when he saw them in the office.
  - b. **Building/Liability/Workman's Comp Insurance Changes:** Bob talked to Debbie in the office who stated that the insurance premium that Al Wichmann had been working on had gone down \$55.00 as of now.

## 6. New Business

- a. **Membership Release/Removal:** Michael Sleeper made the motion to accept the Certificate of Transfer of membership for Brinley Kowalkowski to Calvary Lutheran Church in Green Bay, WI. Judy seconded the motion and the *Motion carried.*
- b. **High School Graduation Party:** Bob referenced the letter attached to our council agenda from the Shawano Community High School regarding donations to the Chemical-free graduation party. Mike Eidahl noted that in the past, Church in Society has donated \$150 to this event. Being there is no representative from this committee, it was agreed by the council to again donate the \$150 plus an additional \$15 admission fee for each senior who attends that is a member of Zion Lutheran Church. Julie made the motion, which was seconded by Steve, to donate the \$150, plus \$15 per Zion's senior student members that would be attending. *Motion carried.*
- c. **Easter Advertising:** A radio advertising bill from Results Broadcasting regarding Easter worship services was included in our council papers. After a discussion it was decided that Worship and Music was working on Easter advertising in the Market Messenger and they would handle the advertising.
- d. **Emergency Action Plan:** Ginny Vraney, Al Wichmann and Pastor Scott had been working on updating the Zion Lutheran Church Emergency Action Plan, which was included in our papers. Ginny briefly reviewed some of the items they had updated, then asked that the council read through the plan and come back next month and make changes or approve it.

**Committee Reports.** Refer to printed reports available.

- **Church and Society**
- **Education** – Judy stated there will be no Sunday School March 27<sup>th</sup> as the students are on spring break, and no Sunday School on Easter Sunday. The last day of Sunday School will be May 15.
- **Health Ministry** – Minutes attached. Ginny advised everyone that Zion's blood drive on April 4<sup>th</sup> has been canceled due to staffing issues. Relay for Life will be April 9<sup>th</sup> at the Shawano High School, and starting tomorrow they will begin working on the Parish Nurse contract.
- **Life & Growth**
- **Property** – Steve noted their main focus is on getting the west entrance updated and they would be working with Dearco to get that project done. Other projects that have come to their attention include: a new service door and garage door for the garage, replacing the carpet downstairs from the elevator to the kitchen, PA system throughout the church and updating the balcony steps railing.
- **Stewardship**
- **Worship & Music** - Minutes attached.
- **Youth**

Motion to accept all Committee Reports as presented was made by Michael Sleeper and seconded by Steve. *Motion carried.*

Zion's Calendar for April is also enclosed in our papers.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Julie and seconded by Nancy. *Motion carried.* Meeting adjourned at 6:58pm.

**Closing Prayer:** The Lord's Prayer by All

Respectfully submitted,  
*Julie Effenberger, Council Secretary*