



ZION Lutheran Church

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Senior Pastor

BOB HASS
Council President

Zion Lutheran Church Council Meeting April 19, 2022 – 6pm at Zion

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

Present: Bob Hass, Mike Eidahl, Ginny Vraney, Steve Laude, Nancy Schultz, Judy Laude, Keith Milner, and Julie Effenberger.

Absent: Michael Sleeper, Pastor Scott Ludford

Devotions: Steve

Sound Off: None

1. **Pastor's Report:** Pastor Scott was absent as he is on vacation.
2. **Approval of Minutes:** Motion was made by Nancy and seconded by Ginny to approve the minutes as printed for the March 15, 2022 Council Meeting. *Motion carried.*
3. **Treasurer's Report**
 - a. **Accounting Fund Balance** – Mike pointed out that expenses have outweighed revenue as the General Fund still has a negative balance of -\$14,308.07. He is hoping the weekend Easter services revenue may help reduce a portion of that, along with Pastor's excellent article in the Focus regarding stewardship. Julie made the motion, which was seconded by Judy to accept the Accounting Fund Balance Report. *Motion carried.*
 - b. **Accounts Payable** – Mike then reviewed the bills to be paid. A motion was made by Julie and seconded by Steve to approve the bills listed for payment. *Motion carried.*
4. **Finance Committee:** Mike Eidahl, who serves on the Finance Committee, stated in their last meeting they reviewed the investment statements from Edward Jones, Thrivent, and Mission Investment Fund and those papers were emailed to council members. Mike briefly reviewed them with the council.
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.

- b. **Approve Emergency Action Plan:** The council was given an updated draft of the Emergency Action Plan at last month's meeting to review for approval. Bob would like the council to do a walk-through of the Emergency Action Plan, if possible, with Ginny and Pastor as they had both worked on the updated plan. Keith brought up a very valid point that maybe Cyber Security should be addressed in the plan also. Mike Eidahl made the motion and Nancy seconded that we table approving the Emergency Action Plan right now to see about adding additional information to it. *Motion carried.*

6. New Business

- a. **Worship & Music Grant Request:** Jill Sousek has submitted a LK Benevolent Fund Council Member Grant Request on behalf of the Worship and Music Committee to clean and repair the bells. A copy of this request was included in the council members packet. Motion was made by Nancy and seconded by Judy to approve \$2,685.00 for the cleaning and repair of Zion's bells for Bell Choir. *Motion carried.*
- b. **Personnel Committee Changes:** Mike Eidahl reminded the council that Matt Heling had served one term on the Personnel Committee and somehow his name was dropped from serving another term and so Michael Sleeper replaced him. With Michael Sleeper volunteering for the Vice President of Zion's council, he was willing to relinquish his position on the Personnel Committee back to Matt Heling. Zion's Constitution and By-Laws does give the council the power to appoint members to the council and their committees. Bob made the motion, which was seconded by Ginny, to appoint Matt Heling to the Personnel Committee in replacement of Michael Sleeper who resigned that position. *Motion carried.*
- c. **Property Projects/Congregational Meeting:** There are 4 projects that the Property Committee feels should be addressed by the council. **1.** Steve took the council to the west entrance and pointed out the problems regarding the doors not closing tight and updating the inside and outside of the entrance that is in dire need of attention. Steve presented the concept of what should be done, and with the council's approval, will get an estimate worked up with Dearco so that we can present that at a Congregational Meeting in May. **2.** The second project the council looked at was the garage and replacing both the overhead and side entrance doors. Steve was going to look into whether the garage should be expanded at the same time as replacing the doors and report back next month. **3.** The third issue the council looked at was condensing the wiring around the technology booth in the back of the sanctuary. We would need to hire a professional to condense and organize the monstrosity of wiring before we run into more technological issues. **4.** Zion should have an intercom system throughout the church, especially in the case of emergencies. The wiring and intercom projects could possibly be done in unison. Steve will get the quotes he needs by next month's meeting so we can plan on a congregational meeting in May after the council meeting. Julie made the motion to approve the concept of replacing the doors and updating the west entrance so Steve can proceed with a quote from Dearco. Nancy seconded the motion and the *Motion carried.* A motion was then made by Mike and seconded by Steve to set a congregational meeting date of Sunday, May 22 and if it works for Pastor, it will be held in between the two church services. *Motion carried.* Notices will then be put in the *Focus* and weekly bulletins/newsletters.
- d. **Other/Dreams of Green Gardens:** Nancy, on behalf of Dreams of Green Gardens, advised the council they need to purchase a rototiller for keeping the garden plots worked up. The group takes in roughly \$600 per season and they would be looking at purchasing a rototiller ranging somewhere in the \$500-\$600 price range. The money spent would come from their income received. Mike made the motion which was seconded by Steve to approve the purchase of a rototiller for the Dreams of Green Gardens, not to exceed \$600. *Motion carried.*

Committee Reports. Refer to printed reports available.

- **Church and Society**
- **Education** – The last day of Sunday School will be May 15.
- **Health Ministry** – Minutes attached. Ginny advised everyone that Relay for Life brought in \$8,100 just with their team alone. They have purchased a Hemoglobin Analysis machine for Sam25, are tentatively planning another blood drive June 20th at Zion and are inviting members to take part in their Spring Walk.
- **Life & Growth**
- **Property** – Steve presented his projects earlier.
- **Stewardship**
- **Worship & Music** - Minutes attached.
- **Youth**

Motion to accept all Committee Reports as presented was made by Nancy and seconded by Ginny.
Motion carried.

Zion's Calendar for May along with the ZLCW Executive Board Meeting minutes were also enclosed in our papers.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Julie and seconded by Mike. ***Motion carried.*** Meeting adjourned at 7:13pm.

Closing Prayer: The Lord's Prayer by All

Respectfully submitted,
Julie Effenberger, Council Secretary