

SPRING LAKE LUTHERAN CHURCH

ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

Spring Lake Lutheran Church Annual Meeting was held on Sunday, February 18, 2024. The number in attendance was 20 members.

PRESENT:

Ray Dohm, Trudy Rew, Missy Vande Vrede, Donna Stringer, Jessica and Aaron Hanson, Donna Lien, Sue Wood, Cindy Jensen, Don and Donna Blegen, Dale and Kay Place, Kim and Duey Davis, Orville Pierce, Mary Jane Hecker, Karyl Tiffany, Nancy Christensen, and Pastor Bob Friese.

WELCOME & DEVOTION: *Led by Pastor Bob Friese*

CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF 2023 AGENDA:

President Dale Place called the meeting to order at 11:12 am. A motion was made to approve the agenda by Donna Blegen, seconded by Duey Davis. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF 2023 MINUTES:

A motion was made by Cindy Jensen to approve the 2023 secretary minutes as presented, seconded by Duey Davis. Motion carried.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

The ballot for 2024 positions was reviewed, both filled (or already in a position), and those open in need of filling. There are three positions that still need filling. Financial Secretary, Trustee, and Decan. Spring Lake Lutheran still needs an auditing committee. Jessican Hanson has agreed to be the Synod Assembly Delegate. Missy Vande Vrede has agreed to be the Sunday School Superintendent but cannot be a Sunday School teacher every Sunday. A motion was made to approve the election officers by Donna Blegen, seconded by Cindy Jesen. Motion carried.

Installation of Spring Lake officers will take place Sunday February 25, 2024, at the Spring Lake Church Service, with Pastor Bob Friese officiating.

APPROVAL OF VARIOUS REPORTS:

Presidents, Statistical, Financial Secretary, Treasurers, Trustees, Thrivent choice, WELCA, Cemetery, Sunday School, Parish, Trinity Valley Lutheran Parish, Food Pantry, and Bishops reports.

President Dale Place explained how the percentage is determined on amount Spring Lake Lutheran owes to Parish.

A motion was made by Donna Lien to approve all the various reports as presented, seconded by Duey Davis. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF PROPOSED 2024 BUDGET:

The proposed 2024 Budget was reviewed and discussed in detail. A motion was made to approve the 2024 proposed budget by Cindy Jensen, seconded by Jessica Hanson. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business: *There is no unfinished business to discuss.*

NEW BUSINESS:

Constitution Amendments:

The constitution changes were provided on paper and highlighted for everyone to review. President Dale Place proposed for officers to have the ability to approve more than two terms. The number of trustees and decans should be changed to meet the guidelines.

Missy Vande Verde questioned the terms in the constitution regarding Sunday School Superintendent.

A motion was made to approve the proposed changes in the constitution by Duey Davis, seconded by Missy Vande Verde. Motion carried.

150th Anniversary for Spring Lake Lutheran

President Dale Place shared that the Spring Lake Lutheran Church was built September 27th, 1871. A committee would be beneficial to help organize a celebration along with gathering history on the church. Dale proposed the 150th Anniversary talk place with the Fall Festival on October 20th, 2024.

A motion was made to develop a committee whose purpose is to develop and implement places for sesquicentennial celebrations for Spring Lake Lutheran Church to coincide with the Annual Fall Festival October 20, 2024, by Cindy Jensen, seconded by Donna Blegen.

Any other Business

**AED: This must be investigated more on costs, training that would need to be done, etc.*

**First Aid Kit: The first aid kit is stored by the table on top of the stairs. This kit was donated by the Spring Valley Ambulance Service.*

**Church Times: There was a discussion on church service times. Do the services be left at 10:00 AM all year or switch from 10:00 AM to 9:00 AM starting April 1st, 2024, until October 31, 2024. This will be discussed in more detail at the next Parish Council meeting.*

**New custodian: The new custodian is Chelsea Fenton.*

**Pancake Supper: There will be no pancake supper this year as there are no longer enough people to help put it together and help at the supper.*

**Pastor Bob Friese: He let the call committee know that he is interested in staying*

**Reminders for people to provide their emails.*

Pastor Bob Friese closed with the Lord's Prayer.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made to adjourn this annual meeting at 12:10 PM by Ray Dohm, seconded by Donna Stringer. Motion Carried

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim Davis