

Spring Lake Lutheran Church Council Meeting
November 14, 2023
In Person/St John's Lutheran

Present: Dale Place, Kay Place, Trudy Rew, Kim Davis, Duey Davis, Ray Dohm, Cindy Jensen, Jessica Hanson, Pastor Bob Friese

Call to Order:

President Dale Place called the meeting to order at 5:23 p.m.

Agenda:

A motion was made to approve the agenda as presented, by Cindy Jensen, 2nd by Ray Dohm, Motion carried.

Opening Prayer and Pastor's report with combined councils:

Pastor Bob Friese provided opening prayer and presented his Pastor's report with combined councils at 6:00 pm.

Secretary's Minutes:

A copy of October 2023 Secretary's report was presented to the council. A motion was made to approve the Secretary's Minutes as presented by Duey Davis, 2nd by Jessica Hanson, Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

A copy of October 2023 Treasurer's report was presented to the council. A motion was made to approve the Treasurer's report by Cindy Jensen, 2nd by Ray Dohm, Motion carried.

Old Business

Monthly Items

- 1) Arrange Snow Removal: Spring Lake Township will plow the parking lot for Spring Lake church. Sidewalks will still need to be shoveled for services, pick-up of Grace Place meals, funerals, etc. A group text will be sent out to all council members to see who is available to shovel the sidewalks.
- 2) Offering Envelopes: Envelopes are here.
- 3) Thanksgiving Eve Service Schedule: There will not be any confirmation classes or Wednesday night service at St Johns. There will be a 7:00 pm community Thanksgiving Eve Service at Emmaus Church.
- 4) Pastor Bob Friese will be out of office next Wednesday.
- 5) Parish Administrator Review: Brandi is doing very well and almost ready to work independently.
- 6) Create Annual Budget: This needs to be worked on and will be discussed at next council meeting.
- 7) Set date for annual meeting: Spring Lake Lutheran annual meeting will be February 18th, 2024.
- 8) Jason Anderson will be contacted to deliver dirt to the church.

Fall Festival Review:

- 1) The fall festival went very well. All the food and labor was donated by Mel Schroeder (Welcome Home). Council to discuss possible gift to be provided to Welcome Home. The money earned from the fall festival was deposited into the General Fund.

Call Committee Update:

- 1) Will find out more information at the Parish Council meeting that will take place on 12/3/23.

Upstairs Sidelights:

- 1) Light bulbs have been purchased and just need to be replaced.

New Business

CD Update for Citizens State Bank Elmwood:

- 1) The money market fund is currently at the First Bank of Baldwin (formerly Bank of Spring Valley). It was not rolled over into the Parsonage Fund. If there are better options available, this money could be moved. If there are no better options, the money will remain in this account until the Accessibility CD or Parsonage Fund is renewed. The CD at Citizens State Bank rolled over on November 13th. The amount plus interest earned was \$127961.64. This CD is for seven months at 5.35%.

Parish Meeting on December 3rd

- 1) Jessica, Dale, and Trudy will attend this meeting.

Constitution Update:

- 1) The Constitution needs to be addressed/reworded for the number of positions that are required and the term length of each position. This will be voted on at the annual meeting.

Plastic on Window and Decorate for Christmas:

- 1) This will be announced at the church service that on 11/26 volunteers are needed to help put plastic on the windows and help decorate the church.

Sunday School Program:

- 1) The Sunday School program will be held at Spring Lake on 12/17/23.

Comments, Concerns, Rumors or Perceptions

- Table was opened for council members to discuss any concerns they may have.

Next council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday December 12, 2023, at 5:30 pm. Location: St Johns Library.

Adjourn Spring Lake Council Meeting

A motion to adjourn this meeting was made at 6:57 P.M. was made by Cindy Jensen, 2nd by Jessica Hanson, Motion carried.

Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim Davis

