

St. John's Lutheran Church, Council Meeting, Sept 13, 2022
Approved at October Meeting

Belonging to Christ, we are a family of faith, **Encouraging** spiritual growth and **Connecting** others to lasting hope.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Bill Emerson at 6:00 p.m.

Those present: Pastor Amelia Houdek, Ann Beyer (Treasurer), Bill Emerson (President), Barb Esanbock (Secretary), Rob Moore (Education), Stacy Burr (Stewardship), Leanna Larson (Property)

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Barb Esanbock, second by Ann Beyer, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Pastor's Report: Written report provided. Topics included faith formation, establishing an "as needed" visitation rotation, and having a contemporary worship service on October 5th. Also discussed was the Boundary Training that Pastor Amelia has taken part in.

President's Report: Bill Emerson

- The Parish Council met and re-evaluated the percentage each church pays to the Parish. They have also put together another letter to go out to the congregations regarding our options moving forward and are planning a presentation to be held at each church.
- The church roof has been paid off.

Secretary's Report: Motion by Rob Moore, second by Stacy Burr, to approve the August council minutes. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Budget and bills were reviewed. It was decided that the Executive Committee should meet to handle the closing of the extra bank accounts and consult with Erin at the Synod. Motion by Rob Moore, second by Stacy Burr, to approve the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

STEWARDSHIP: Chair, Stacy Burr; Committee Members: Darice and Evah Butts

- Stacy has been reaching out for help with the next Stewardship Drive. She will check with Gilman and Spring Lake as well. Discussion on when to hold the stewardship drive.

PROPERTY: Chair, Leanna Larson

- Tom Boyer, Jamie Burr, and David Butts are willing to help with the property.

EDUCATION: Chair, Rob Moore

- All three churches have merged their Sunday School and committees. Rally Sunday was a success and things are off to a good start.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Parish Update:** Included in the President's report.
- **Council Vacancies:** Discussion on the need to fill positions.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Upcoming Presentations:** Addressed in the President's report.
- **Counting Money:** Brief discussion.
- **Heating and Electric Bills for Sunday School Building:** Discussion on how this should be paid as the only use at the moment is the Community Food Pantry.

NEXT MEETING: October 11, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

ADJOURN: Motion by Rob Moore, second by Ann Beyer, to adjourn at 6:42 p.m. Motion carried.

We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Barb Esanbock, St. John's Council Secretary.