

Spring Lake Lutheran Church Council Meeting  
December 12, 2022  
In Person/St John`s Fellowship Hall

**Present:** Karyl Tiffany, Trudy Rew, Shelli Wood, Kim Davis, Duey Davis, Ray Dohm, Pastor Amelia, and Dale Place (Guest).

**Call to Order:**

President Shelli Wood called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

**Agenda:**

A motion was made to approve the agenda, by Kim Davis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Duey Davis, Motion carried.

**Opening Prayer:** Pastor Amelia led council in prayer.

**Secretary's Minutes:**

A motion was made to approve November Secretary's Minutes as presented by Duey Davis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Karyl Tiffany, Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:**

November expenses: \$3587.95. \$1051.48 for the purchase of LP still needs to be paid and no invoice has been received for the repair of the stair lift chair yet.

Total income: \$3482.00.

On 11/17/2022 Ray Dohm transferred the funds from the sale of the parsonage to a money market account. The account offers the best interest and ability to take money out of the account. A motion was made to approve November Treasurer's report as presented by Trudy Rew, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Duey Davis, Motion carried.

**Unfinished Business:**

- Open Council Positions, Sunday School Positions, Board of Education (both church and parish). How do we fill these positions?

Currently there are adds placed for these positions and no one is responding to them. A suggestion was made that a ballot could be handed out during a church service, or the Pastor could announce the open positions to congregation.

There is no Sunday School until 1/8/2023.

Dale Place is interested in the President or Vice President position and his wife Kay Place is interested in the Treasurers position. The church constitution needs to be reviewed to see if married people can both hold an officer position. Ray Dohm would be interested in the Trustee position.

- Bylaws to Reflect Minimal Number of Council Members Needed

Council members can write the bylaws and the bylaws do not need to be voted on for how many people can be on a council. Pastor Amelia questioned if a Pastor is a voting member

- Appoint Committee to Update Membership List (from outside of the church)

Someone from outside the church needs to be found to make phone calls to members of the church, see if they are interested in being a member of the church and to update their information. If they do not want to be a member of the church, having them listed as a member is an extra cost for mailings and the cost of having their name listed on the church track system, this cost is per member.

- Budget (Set a date to complete this in January).

The budget could be completed in January if the Annual Meeting would be moved to 2/19/2023 after church services. This would allow more time for the budget to be finalized.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Change the Annual Meeting Date to February

The Annual Meeting could be moved to 2/19/2023 after church services. Changing the date of the Annual Meeting will give Council time to get the budget in order, develop bylaws, gather council nominations. A motion was made to change the Annual Meeting from 1/15/2023 to 2/19/2023 after Spring Lake Church Services, by Ray Dohm, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Duey Davis, Motion carried.

- Christmas Gifts for Staff (Paid out through Parish Council).

A discussion was held regarding what staff will receive Christmas Gifts. Staff mentioned are Jeremy Johnson, Jeffrey Johnson, Mary Jane, Ann Beyer, Pastor Amelia, and Brit. This will also be discussed at the Parish Council meeting.

- Survey Results (Brief review tonight and more comprehensive presentation at the Annual Meeting).

Shelli Wood provided a brief review on the number of surveys that were received.

- Update Signatures on Neiderhauser Thrivent Account

The last signature in place for the Neiderhauser Account is Jeannie Place. Shelli Wood has the forms to fill out for new signatures. Other accounts also need new signatures such as for the Sunday School account. Council questioned if these forms should be filled out now or wait until next Council meeting. A motion was made to wait on filling out the forms for new signatures until the new Council is in place by Ray Dohm, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Karyl Tiffany, Motion carried. Shelli will forward the forms to the new council members.

**A motion was made to move into closed session at 6:04 pm by Duey Davis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ray Dohm, Motion carried.**

- Upcoming Changes

Pastor Amelia provided her Pastors Report to Council and reviewed between council

members on upcoming changes.

- Set Next Meeting

The next council meeting will be on January 10<sup>th</sup> at 5:30. This will be held at Spring Lake Church.

**Adjourn Spring Lake Council Meeting**

A motion was made to adjourn this council meeting at 6:44 P.M. Duey Davis., 2nd Trudy Rew,  
Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim Davis