

Chisago Lake Evangelical Lutheran Church
Church Council Meeting
July 18, 2017

Meeting called to order by Sue Abrahamson at 7:05

Opening Prayer/Evening Meditation: Devotions by Janie Briggs: When Change Can Be Hard based on Ecclesiastes 3:11

Members Present: Pastor Steve Molin, Janie Briggs, Anna Burch, Sue Abrahamson, Ron Carlson, Chris Ruser, Dave Reed

Members Absent: Heith Glenna and Melissa Rambow

Check In: Faith Five: Ups and Downs

Approval of the Agenda: Ron Carlson asked to move "communication" to the agenda. Anna Burch moved to approve the agenda as amended. Dave Reed seconded. All in favor. The agenda was approved as amended.

Approval of June Minutes: Chris Ruser motioned to approve the June minutes as written. Dave Reed seconded. All approved. The June Council Minutes stand as written.

Treasurer's Report:

We are behind about \$15,000 for the year.

Pastor's Report:

Janie Briggs motions that CLLC honors the request of Pastor Steve that 100% of his salary for this calendar year be designated as a housing allowance. Sue Abrahamson seconds. All in favor. Motion passes

Committee Reports

- Property
 - The lower parking lot seal coating was completed in late June.
 - The boiler bid was accepted and approved in the June by the council. The boiler is here and will be installed after all parts come.
 - The question was raised by property about creating a task force to look at the de-watering after the new year.
 - Council raised the question regarding the status of the sewer back-up
 - Council will invite an additional property representative to come to the August meeting to discuss upcoming needs.

- 3M
 - Chis Ruser moved to approve the following motions/expenditures as proposed to council by 3M.
 - Up to \$400 from the Myrtle Berglund Fund (fund was not to be used for general fund) to be used to offset the costs for the pastors' retirement party

- Between \$200-400 from the Anderson Bequest for outreach to be used to help cover the costs of the pig roast on July 29th.
 - \$1,860 out of capital outlay/building fund to pay the deductible for the flashing repair.
- 3M approved the following motions/expenditures as passed by council during previous council meetings.
 - \$15,000 from the Anderson bequest to cover the 2016 deficit.
 - \$ 5,160 from capital outlay to cover the cost of seal coating the lower parking lot.
 - \$13, 417 to come out of building fund/ capital outlay to pay for the new boiler.
 - Wireless microphones were purchased for \$5,636. This money came out of the money which was designated by a donor specifically for sound system updates/repairs.

Old Business

- Upper Parking Lot
 - The bids have come in for the upper parking lot. Bids were obtained in conjunction with the city. We had two replies of bids that ranged from 48,000- 52,000. Property recommends we go with the low bid from Don Bluhm with the assumption that the city awards the bid to Don Bluhm as well (which would be the cost-saving factor for CLLC).
 - 3M motions to take the balance out of Anderson Bequest in the amount of \$14,337 and use that money to match County 9 funds in order to pay for upper parking lot repair. County 9 funds must be used for capital outlay and must be matched in order to utilize. The remainder of the balance will be taken from capital outlay/building funds. Sue Abrahamson seconds. All in favor. Motion passes.
 - Anna Birch motions we accept property's recommendation to accept the bid from Bluhm construction contingent upon satisfactory bid explanations regarding a bid difference by Bluhm and city participation with the Bluhm bid. Chris Ruser seconds. Discussion ensued. All in favor. Motion passes
- Memorials from Building Fund
 - The financial secretaries have a question regarding what to do with money which was given as a memorial to the building fund.
 - Anna Burch moves to leave any memorial money that was given for the bathroom addition to stay in the building fund for a possible future addition. Dave Reed seconds. All in favor. Motion passes.
- Flat roof repair
 - Dave Reed is heading up a work group to repair the flat roof in order to prolong the life of the flat roof.
- Communication
 - A gentle reminder that if a committee meets, notes need to be turned into the office with a summary.

New Business

- Office/Substitute Employees
 - Council asks Personnel to provide a policy and motion on hiring and paying substitutes for office and custodial staff.
- Planting of the burms in the lower parking lot

- Plan was presented by property to put soil burms in the lower parking lot medians to allow for planting (currently there is only mulch and gravel)
- Property presents a motion which asks for a landscaping budget of \$1000-1500 to provide soil and plants to create these burms. The labor would be provided on Rally Sunday. Sue Abrahamson seconds the motion. It was unanimously opposed. Motion fails.
- Rally Sunday
 - September 10th
 - Council will ask property about a work day in conjunction with ELCA God's Work Our Hands for this day.
- Sound System Repair
 - One of the speakers went out and needed to be repaired.
- Laptop request from the office
 - Dave Reed motions to purchase a laptop for the office out of the recycling funds. Sue Abrahamson seconds. All in favor. Motion passes
- Building Use Request
 - The Center Lakes Membership Association (lake homeowners who work with the DNR to protect the lake) would like to use Fellowship Hall from 8-12:30 Sept 9th. The will set up and will return room to previous arrangement when finished. The will also clean up after themselves. This event will be up to 100 people
 - Building policy states that use for non-members is \$100
 - Chris Ruser moves we let the Lake Association have their meeting here the 9th of September providing they pay the \$100 usage fee. Sue Abrahamson seconds. All in favor. Motion passes
- Scholarships
 - 3M made a motion to increase the money allotted for scholarships so it would even out to \$500 per recipient. There were 12 recipients in all. Anna Burch seconds. All in favor. Motion passes.

Next meeting is August 15, 2017 with devotions and refreshments by Ron Carlson

Meeting was adjourned at 9:41.

Respectfully submitted,
Janie Briggs, Secretary