

Chisago Lake Evangelical Lutheran Church
Church Council Meeting
August 15, 2017

Meeting called to order by Sue Abrahamson at 7:15

Opening Prayer/Evening Meditation: Devotions by Sue Abrahamson

Members Present: Janie Briggs, Anna Burch, Pastor Steve, Sue Abrahamson, Melissa Rambow, Dave Reed, Chris Ruser

Members Absent: Heith Glenna, Ron Carlson

Check In: Faith Five: Highs and Lows

Learning Time: Council relationships

Approval of the Agenda: Melissa Rambow moved to approve the agenda. Anna Burch seconded. All in favor. The agenda was approved.

Approval of July Minutes: Sue Abrahamson motioned to approve the July Council Minutes as written. Chris Ruser seconds. All in favor. The July minutes stand as written.

Treasurer's Report:

- The finance committee will share different ways of giving such as Simply Giving and Text to Give in the coming months via the monthly newsletter.
- Because of the transfers which 3M and council approved (see July minutes) we closed the budget shortage to \$15,142 dollars thus far this year.

Pastor's Report:

- There are upcoming staff absences for the custodial and secretarial staff. Personnel is looking at the policy and procedure for how to fill these absences. Until a policy and procedure is set, CLLC will observe past practice.
- Stakeholders will be meeting to discuss the ReFrame service.
- Pastor Steve will be on vacation August 23-30. This was a vacation planned prior to taking the interim position. The council was fully aware of this when they offered the position to him.

Committee Reports

- Property
 - Property felt the following three de-watering issues were the most pressing property needs and should be addressed (in no particular order):
 1. **The islands in the lower parking** - Currently the islands are collecting water which prevent proper drainage. Options include replacing the islands with soil and planting or removing the islands and paving over
 2. **The flat roof** - Anna Burch moves that we ask property to pursue updated bids from three contractors for roof repairs and preventative maintenance as paid for through capital outlay. Janie Briggs seconds. All in favor. Motion passes
 3. **The west side de-watering plan** which includes, but is not limited to, installing tiles and tying the drainage into the city sewer

Other property concerns:

1. The elevator was not working last week. It was reset and seems to be working fine now
2. Due to rains last week, we had water on level one coming in from the patio and in the storage closet off the kitchen.
3. The valve sticks in the men's urinal causing running water. There is also a cosmetic crack in the urinal. A new valve was priced at \$347 and a new urinal was priced at \$750. Council

recommends to proceed with the new valve. As it is under \$500, we do not need three bids.

4. The panic bars on the exterior doors are locking when they should not be due to normal wear and tear. Property prices hardware replacement and installation at \$3000. Because it is a security and safety issue, council advises property to get a second and third bid to present to council for approval before proceeding with repair.

Parsonage

1. Council advises property to look into winter proofing parsonage as it will be empty during the interim period
 2. Property has submitted a list of repairs and upkeep to council regarding the parsonage
- Snow Plowing - Property will begin to collect bids for plowing this winter.

Old Business

- Upper Parking Lot Update
 - This will be done spring 2018 along with the city project. Bluhm Construction was not able to squeeze the project in before winter.
 - The capital outlay funds which were approved for this project will be set aside for this project until next year.
- Pig Roast
 - Attended by roughly 300 people. It seemed to be attended by more community members than in year's past.
 - Due to generous donations for this free event, this event has become self-funding
- Rally Sunday/Work Day
 - There will be one service September 10th at 9:00 for Rally Sunday
 - There will be some activities for "God's Work Our Hands"
- Update on Bathroom Funds
 - After re-designating the Anderson Bequest, the Carlson Bequest, and congregation donations from the bathroom fund to the capital outlay fund, the capital outlay fund stood at \$103,900.
 - After taking out money to help fund the upper parking lot and boiler, capital outlay stands at \$45,500.
 - The final amount left in the bathroom fund is around 80,000.

New Business

- Stewardship
 - The Stewardship committee will meet to discuss the pledges for 2018 being collected in November.

Closing Prayer/Adjournment The meeting is adjourned at 9:35.

The next meeting will be September 19th.

Respectfully submitted by Janie Briggs