

Chisago Lake Evangelical Lutheran Church  
Church Council Meeting  
June 21,2018

Meeting called to order by Melissa Rambow at 7:22

Opening Prayer/Evening Meditation: Turn, Turn, Turn, & Prayers of Steel

Members Present: Sue Abrahamson, Dale Bahn, Chris Ruser, Melissa Rambow, Pastor Steve, Gloria Peterson, Lee Peterson, Dave Reed

Members Absent: Anna Burch, Janie Briggs

Check In: What song or piece of music says 'summer' to you?

Approval of the Agenda: Chris Ruser moved to approve the agenda. Dale Bahn seconded. All in favor. The agenda was approved.

Approval of Minutes: There were two corrections to the April minutes.

- Lee Peterson motioned to approve the minutes as amended. Dave Reed seconds. All in favor. The April minutes were approved as amended.

Treasurer's Report:

- Gifts in May were under plan, only \$22k collected
- Maintenance costs were higher due to buying items in bulk, but there is a belief that doing so will provide savings down the road.
- 3M will match the fund appeal up to \$12,500
- A motion by Chris Ruser was made to approve the financials as presented, Dale Bahn seconded. All in favor, motion passes.

Pastor's Report:

- Summer song has gotten off to a strong start
- Diane Goetz turned down the salary approved in May
- Pastor Steve's last Sunday is 7/22; Greg Wilcox will be filling in on 7/29
- Pastor Steve requested 2 weeks of vacation at the end of his time with us.

Committee Reports

- Call Committee
  - The Council wanted to express admiration and appreciation for the Call Committee's work, especially the efficient manner of the process.
- Property
  - Review of parsonage expenses. DJ Gregory was recommended for the work in the kitchen and attic, as well as the painting on outside.

- A motion was made for Council to approve money from 3M to begin work on the parsonage by Sue Abrahamson, seconded by Chris Ruser, All in favor, motion passes.
- The Council wanted to extend appreciation to Carrie and the Property Committee for their work on this project.

### Old Business

#### Facility Use:

- Discussion of an in-kind donation from Chisago County in return for their use of the facility.

### New Business

#### Fund Appeal:

- Letter is going out to congregation early next week.

#### New Financial Software:

- Dave discussed moving from Shelby system to QuickBooks to save money. Shelby would still be used for membership tracking and information. A motion was made to approve by Chris Ruser, seconded by Gloria Peterson, all in favor, motion passes.

#### Audit Committee:

- Audit Committee Report was reviewed and Dave Reed made a motion to accept their recommendations, Sue Abrahamson seconded, all in favor, motion passes.

#### Emergency Plan:

- Insurance Company recommends better signage in case of emergency, a motion to comply was made by Dave Reed, seconded by Chris Ruser, all in favor, motion passes.

Closing Prayer/Adjournment Dale Bahn motions to adjourn at 9:00. Pastor Steve seconds. All in favor. The meeting is adjourned.

Respectfully submitted.

Lee Peterson for Janie Briggs, Secretary