

Minutes of the November 13, 2018 Church Council Meeting

Present: Pastor Mark Laatsch, Debbie Villas, Kathy Bero, Ronda Pedersen, Dave Anderson, Darrell Eland, Cathy Hipke, Jim Zobel, Anna Magrane, Mike Bellisle,

Excused: Matt Vanni, Adam Starzynski, Boni Nerat-Heckel, Stacy Hansen

Present to Report: Patti Treptow

President Debbie Villas called the meeting to order.

President Debbie Villas called for a review and approval of the agenda. Jim Zobel made a motion to approve the agenda, Mike Bellisle seconded; motion passed.

Devotions/Study of the Word: Pastor Mark led devotions, Peace and Thanksgiving from Colossians.

President Debbie Villas called for a review and approval of the October 9, 2018 meeting minutes. Darrell Eland made a motion to approve the minutes, Kathy Hipke seconded; motion passed.

ACTION ITEMS

Old Business

Welcome Packet Update: Patti and Pastor updated Council and shared revised brochure.

Inactive letter: Judy verified information and prepared final letter to be mailed.

New Business

Snowplow bids: Accepted bid from same company as last year, Construction Services, to remove snow from parking lots and sidewalks. Mike Bellisle made a motion to approve this proposal, Jim Zobel seconded; motion passed.

Hanging of the Greens: Date of event December 2 with refreshments provided by Fellowship Committee.

Church Information Mass Email: Kathy Bero reported about potential exploration of program to send out regular emails to congregation. No action at this time.

Treasurer's Report/Finance Committee Approval: A motion to pay the bills was made by Mike Bellisle, seconded by Cathy Hipke; motion passed.

Other: Mike Bellisle made a motion to approve purchase of a recording device, not to exceed \$400, to record worship services on Facebook Live, Jim Zobel seconded; motion passed.

REPORTS

Youth Advisory Council Report: Anna Magrane reviewed the written report.

Youth and Family Ministry Director's Report: Patti Treptow reviewed the written report.

Presidents Report: President Debbie Villas started with the reminded that a busy month is going to get busier. She reported on the success and wonderful experience of the Walking Together Workshop in Peshtigo. There are many upcoming opportunities for outreach, worship and support: Jessica Falk concert, Wednesday Advent services with soup supper at Bethel, Thanksgiving service at Bethel and Christmas. She thanked all for their continued commitment.

Treasurer's Report/Finance Committee Report: See above

Committee Reports:

Fellowship: Ronda Pedersen reported that Fellowship Committee will be providing refreshments on December 2 for "Hanging of the Greens" event. Committee started to plan for the January Annual meeting.

Human Resource: Did not meet.

Memorial: New communion sets were ordered in memory of Carole Klumb.

Outreach: The committee will be sponsoring the Tree of Love donations and preparing food baskets again this year.

Property/Decorating: It was reported that a new furnace was ordered. The snow plow bid was approved. There was discussion regarding the placement of the Nativity scene. The outside faucets and water shut offs will need to be addressed to avoid damage. Jim Briar attended an energy/solar workshop, but it was decided that this will not be pursued at this time. Windows will need to be replaced in the future.

Policy and Procedures: Jim Zobel reported that they are continuing work on audit description and then will begin finance description.

Stewardship: It was reported that the current campaign has been completed. Debbie Villas will report to the congregation on Sunday and they will host a coffee hour, too.

Endowment: Nothing to report

Worship: Will be scheduling a meeting to prepare for Christmas.

Other:

Pastor's Report: as written

President Debbie Villas closed the meeting on a motion by Kathy Bero, seconded by Dave Anderson; motion passed. We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted
Ronda Pedersen, Council Secretary