

**St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church Council**  
**Meeting Minutes – Dec 12/21 @ 11:15**

**Present:** Belinda Josephson, Ann Joudrey, Karen Field, Andre Brideau, Marshall Robar, Helen Sarty, David Zwicker, Rev Paul, Cedric Wentzell and Judy Garber

**Absent:** Wilfred Feener and Sarah vanderWal

**1. Call to Order** by Belinda

**Opening Prayer** by Helen

**2. Approval of Dec Agenda** – Motion to approve as presented by Ann, seconded by Helen

**3. Approval of November Minutes:** Motion to approve by Karen; seconded by Helen

**4. Financial Report:** Andre moved adoption of his reports sent via email, seconded by David  
Motion Passed

Hall Estate GIC has been renewed. November general fund deficit = \$8,558; 2021 surplus now \$3,979; accumulated surplus (2020&2021) now at +\$55,889.

Andre moved the adoption of his report; seconded by David. Motion Passed

**Special Property Donation:** \$5,000 donation received with special instructions to put towards the buildings' current or future projects.

Decision made to apply this donation towards our heating repair expenses incurred in November.

**5. Pastor's Report:** Rev. Paul's report was accepted as sent via email.

**Paul's Request re: Update of Teams and their Responsibilities:** Work in progress.

**6. Old Business:**

**a. COVID 19 Update:**

COVID restrictions will remain the same, following the NS government guidelines. We are no longer keeping names of those attending Sunday Services. It was recommended that contact tracing be recorded for the Christmas Eve Services for people not known to us.

**b. Update re: Church Plumbing & Electrical Repairs:** An electrical bill has not been received to date and a noticeable difference in lighting has been seen.

**c. Sunday Services:** Next meeting is Dec 20th but the new format is working great.

**7. Correspondence: None**

**8. Ministry "Team" Reports:**

**a. Parking Lot** - More cars are using our space. Discussion

Guidelines need to be followed as when it snows, our lot needs to be empty for removal of snow for our Church members to use. Marshall will monitor and deal with each individual (liability issues can occur if used by more people).

**Rental Group AA** - There are heating issues if this group moves to the downstairs area. Discussion. Marshall will keep Council posted on the heating issues. Marshall made a motion to keep the AA rental fee the same until spring of 2022; seconded by David Motion Passed

**Quotes for heat pumps were reported (with rebate)**

There will need to be a Congregational meeting in January, if not sooner, regarding moving forward to install heat pumps.

**b. Worship Team:** Next meeting is scheduled for the week of Dec 13 - 17. Decision to be made on the time to restart Choir practice in the new year.

Piano and Organ Tuning can be scheduled for regular maintenance by David using the Organ Fund.

**c. Stewardship:** Team is working well together.

**d. Fellowship:** A 'Thank You' will be sent to John & Mary Veinot for their donation of 2 trees and 3 wreaths for our Church over Christmas.

**e. Learning:** No report

**F. Technology:** Some camera issues were reported. Andre and Marshall are working on repairs of such.

Teams were reminded that their Annual Reports are due the first weeks of January, 2022.

**9. New Business:**

**a. New Nativity Scene:** Our scene was upgraded but needs to be replaced another year.

**b. Altar Guild:** Our previous team will be recognized for their years of service. Ann will take the lead to reorganize this team in 2022.

**c. Membership List:** Work in progress.

**d. Draft Budget for 2022:** Andre presented his Budget to Council which will be reviewed at AGM in February 2022.

Andre moved the adoption of his 2022 Budget to be presented at next AGM Feb 20, storm date Feb 27; seconded by Ann Motion Passed

**Office Coverage:** Lucille is covering for Sheena the month of December - projection work. A 'Thank You' will be given to Ann, Olive and Lucille for their hours of Office Coverage.

**Summer Students:** Application forms will be discussed/sent within the next couple weeks.

**Gift Cards:** Cards will be increased to \$50.00 for individuals this month.

**10. Closing Prayer by Rev Paul**

2022 Council Meeting

Next meeting: Sunday, January 23rd at 11:15 am

Respectfully submitted Judy Garber, Secretary

Approved: