

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church Council
Meeting Minutes – Oct 20, 2024, 11:15 am

Present: Peter Oickle, Karen Corkum, Judy Garber, Andre Brideau, Ann Joudrey, Sandra Schnare, David Zwiicker, Marshall Robar and Eve Steenbeek
Betsy Knickle has resigned

1. Called to Order Peter expressed special thanks to the Ladies Group who organized the Farewell Dinner for Rev Paul, Oct 6th
Prayer by Sandra

2. Approval of October Agenda: Adopted Agenda after Amendments -
Ann and Sandra

3. Approval of September Minutes: Motion to adopt Sept minutes by Judy as circulated
Approved by Consensus

4. Financial Report: Andre reviewed his September Report with Council

Highlights: September general fund surplus = \$554
2024 general fund surplus (Jan 1 to Sept 30) = \$16,032
Accumulated general fund surplus remaining = \$48,233

*General Fund offerings were down \$5,370 from Sept 2023

*Room Rentals were up from Sept 2023 - \$8,372, Sept 2024 \$9,000 (SODA)

*Repairs & Maintenance = \$405

*Custodial supplies increase = \$317

*Parking Lot refurbishment = \$5,082

*Software Subscriptions = \$625

Andre moved the adoption of his Financial Report, seconded by David Motion Passed

GIC - 2: Two more maturing on Nov 18th. Andre made motion to renew both for another 5-year period, seconded by Ann Motion Passed

5. Pastor's Report: Nil

6. Old Business:

a. SODA Update/Request:

Marshall met with SODA staff re: neighborhood concerns. Discussion

Possible need for a "privacy fence" and bench attached to side railing at entrance to Church.

Marshall will obtain a quote for such a fence/bench.

SODA has requested a washer/dryer be placed in Church for participants. Currently, the cost to do their laundry is \$4,000 per month. The only area adequate is the Utility Room. Industrial type machines would be best.

Marshall made motion to proceed with obtaining a quote for installation and other maintenance work for the washer/dryer, seconded by Sandra Motion Passed

b) Update SS Lutheran Shared Ministry: Next meeting is Tuesday, October 22nd with Interviews scheduled next week with qualified Pastors. Discussion

c) Youth Ministry: Decision made to wait and discuss after outcome of future ministry plans which may determine the type of Youth Ministry to be followed in our area.

Reformation Service - Invites to other Congregations; Lucille will organize the reception. Loose collection will go to CLWR.

7. Correspondence: Nil

8. Ministry Team Reports

a) Property: Parking Lot concerns re: proper drainage on sidewalk side since paving. Peter to follow-up with the Town as what may need to be completed.

b) Worship: No meeting

c) Stewardship: Services organized to the end of December. 9am Services are now covered as well.

d. Learning: Nil

e. Technology:

f. Energy: Peter to report in November

g. Music: Choir practices are now Wed at 12:30. Rehearsals for Reformation Service are scheduled.

h. HR: Nil

i. Anniversary Team: Complete

j. Seniors's Program: November meeting is being planned

k. Outreach: Meeting end of October

l. AGM: Feb 23 or March 2, 2025 (storm date)

9. New Business:

a. Esthetics: Discuss at November Council meeting

b. December Advent Service - Baptist Church: Respond to email if interested in participating

c. Feedback from meeting with Kim McNabb: Good attendance - great participation

d. Synod Covenant: Document given to Council for review and further discussion at November meeting

e. Interchurch Council: Ann to remain as Rep

f. Parking Lot light: To be put on 24/7 for safety reasons

g. Christmas Boxes: Karen will proceed. Date to gather and pack will be Saturday, November 9th at 9 am. Blessing of boxes to be Sunday, Nov 17th Service.

Note: Parking Lot Renters: Rate will be increased as of January 1st, 2025 to \$50 per month (now \$25).

10. Closing Prayer by Peter

Next Council meeting: Sunday, November 10th at 11:15 am

Respectfully submitted by Judy Garber, Secretary

Approved: