

St.Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church Council
Emergency Meeting re: Church & COVID
May 2, 2021 – 7:00 pm

All Council members present

Prayer: Rev Paul

All Church meetings will be done via "Zoom," as only 5 people are allowed within the Church during Lockdown. This will be placed on Facebook. Action: Paul/Sheena Pastor Paul will draft a letter to circulate to Congregation.

Financial Report: Monthly envelope giving is down and without the estate monies, we would be \$6,000 in debt.

Question: Access to benefit programs if our employees were "laid-off" once again. Both David Z. and Nancy R. have stated they would 'volunteer' the necessary hours over the Lockdown period.

Discussion

NOTE: Question re Wage Subsidy Program – the % wage subsidy is for the employer. For people who do get temporarily left go, the government will compensate a flat rate of \$500/week through the COVID EI program. This money goes right back to the individual person who was let go until the employer brings them back or when this COVID program expires.

Suggestion by Karen that we consider giving David & Nancy a small honorarium for their volunteer hours during Lockdown.

Motion was made by Ann to lay off David & Nancy. They would receive UI and Wage Subsidy during the Lockdown period. This would save the Church \$2,000 per month. Seconded: Helen

Motion Passed

Sheena is owed some vacation time – her last day of work is not clear.

Interviews for Federal Student is Wed May 5th – Paul/Belinda/Brian

Training date with Sheena is Sat. May 8th. Suggestion made to equip Sheena with shield&mask, as well as successful candidates during this day.

Suggestion made to purchase a 'doorbell'; buttons at foyer and parking lot doors

Action: Marshall

Community Café will do Take-Out only and 'AA' will be Closed during Lockdown period.

Discussion – best area for students to be placed during their work period.

Closing Prayer by Helen

(Signed J. Garber)

Submitted by Secretary, Judy Garber

Approved: May 16/21