

**St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church Council**  
**Meeting Minutes – June 11, 2023, 11:15 am**

**Present:** Karen Field, Ann Joudrey, Rev Paul, Sandra Schnare, Karen Corkum, and Judy Garber, David Zwicker, Tammy Crouse, Betsy Knickle, Marshall Robar, Sarah vanderWal and Peter Oickle

**1. Call to Order** by Karen

Opening Prayer by Marshall

**2. Approval of June Agenda: Addition - Under New Business - Donation Drive**

Approved by Consensus

**3. Approval of May Minutes:** Motion to adopt May minutes by Judy, seconded by David  
Motion Passed

**4. Financial Report: May General Fund deficit = \$2,338.97**

2023 General Fund deficit (Jan 1 - May 31) = \$11,921.48

Accumulated general fund surplus remaining = \$25,102.91

**Income Statement:** General Fund offerings down \$386.92 from May 2022

Room rentals up \$655.00 from May 2022

Repairs and maintenance (Rev Paul's PC )= \$1,161.40

NS Power \$2,413.20 and Town of B'water Sewer = \$554.50

Peter will be the main contact for our new Credit Card and Gail has a password to this account. Peter and Ann will be signing officers and Andre's name to be removed.

Ann moved adoption of her May Financial report, seconded by Betsy Motion Passed

**5. Pastor's Report:** Rev. Paul sent May report via email

Coverage for Sunday Services during his vacation:

July 16, Karen Field; July 23 Pastor Hosick; July 30 Peter Oickle and Aug 6, Sarah.

**6. Old Business:**

**a. Treasurer's Position:** No volunteer to date. Discussion held to establish a 'Finance Ministry Team' of 3-4 people with each having their individual part to be responsible for Church Finances. Trial period to be July 1 to December 2023 - re-assess in the new year. There will be a call-out to the Congregation to see if anyone may be interested in joining this Team.

**b. Pastoral Succession:** Next meeting June 20th. Congregational Mission Profile forms to be completed. Forms to come back to Council for approval (fall). 3 potential candidates can be approached.



**7. Correspondence:** None

**8. Ministry Teams Reports:**

**a. Property Team:** Inspection results for insurance purposes discussed at length. Marshall is dealing with this issue. 3 quotes from electrical services will be obtained - work in progress.

**b. Worship Team:** Sarah will be responsible for Aug Service. WOV settings to be used during the summer months; Service - Word of Prayer

**c. Stewardship:** Spring Tea is planned for Sat. June 17th. Proceeds will be put towards our Insurance.

**d. Learning:** VBS is planned for August, 21-24th (Lucille and Virginia)

**e. Technology:** Rev Paul has his new Laptop

**f. Energy:** None

**g. Music:** Organ to be tuned (David to arrange)

**h. HR:** Call Team are proceeding

**i. Anniversary:** Several projects being planned - Congregational Calendar; Banner for Town; Dinner & Service with our Bishop; Ice Cream Social; event at Lake Mush; and marker stone to be placed on Church property (previous burials).

**j. Seniors's Program:** Start date in September

**k. Outreach:** Group of ladies working to have a Service on July 15th at Shipyards Landing. Donation from Rock Church (\$2,000) to be dedicated to this Team (approved at March Council meeting).

**9. New Business:**

**a. Review of Inspection Results for Insurance Purposes:** Marshall reported from inspection that there are a few deficiencies to be dealt with (5 optionals). The risk of wiring - lengthy discussion. The Congregation will need to be notified of necessary repairs (conditions) so that Council is given approval to proceed, sooner than later.

If Services need to be suspended in the Church, while repairs are being made, the Church Hall will be used. At this time, the kneeling boards will be removed as they are not used and Church pews to be re-arranged.

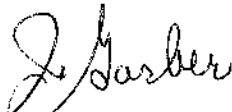
**b. Donation Drive:** Council gave Betsy approval to use the Church Hall for collecting/storing any donations (pet supplies and toiletries). Gift certificates will also be appreciated. Betsy will arrange with Gail to inform our Congregation of dates for this Drive - further info to come.



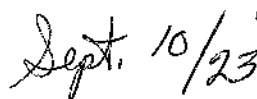
Council Pot Luck Supper to be on August 17, 5-6 pm, at Paul's.

**10. Closing Prayer by Pastor Paul**

Next meeting: Sunday, September 10 at 11:15 am



Respectfully submitted by Judy Garber, Secretary



Approved:

**Congregational Meeting - Sunday July 9/23**

Karen and Marshall presented to the Congregation the results of Insurance Inspection, basically the wiring within the Church. There are several deficiencies to be dealt with so that our insurance can be renewed. Three companies have been contacted for quotes to complete the necessary repairs to our wiring, to bring things up to present code. Only one quote has been received to date.

We are seeking, from the Congregation, the approval to proceed with the insurance recommendations.

Don Himmelman made a motion for the Church Council to proceed with the recommendations from our insurance broker for necessary wiring repairs within the Church, so that our insurance can be renewed, seconded by David Zwicker.

The Congregation will be updated when the Church Council has made a decision as to which direction the necessary wiring repairs will be upgraded (probably August).

Motion Passed

St. Paul's Lutheran Church Council  
Secretary Judy Garber  
July 9, 2023





**Pastor's Report for July, 2023  
Reported on Sept 10, 2023**

**Visits:**

Other- 5

Phone Contacts- 2

**Committee/ Program Meetings:**

**Regular/Special Services, Events, or Projects:**

Sermons/ Messages- 5

9am Contemporary Service- 2    10am Worship live stream services- 2

Funerals- 1

**Future Goals for the coming months:**

Confirmation program for Fall start

**Vacation/sick days/Holidays:**

Sick days (18): 1 (15 days remaining for 2023)

Holidays: 1

Vacation days (6 weeks): 21 days- includes 3 Sunday (1 week remaining for 2023)

Professional Development (2 weeks per year): 0 (2 weeks remaining for 2023)

Here are the ELCIC minimum guidelines starting January 2017:

**Sick Days- 18 days per year**

**Holidays-** Rostered employees are entitled to *two days off per week*, plus *days in lieu of Statutory Holidays* taken within a reasonable time of the actual holiday as mutually agreed with council.

**Vacation- 6 weeks including 6 Sundays** (21+ years of ordination)

**Professional Development Days- 2 weeks per year. Accumulative up to 6 weeks.**

