

Peace Church Council Meeting Minutes - July 10, 2023

Jay Moser called the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m. Attending were: Mike Anderson, Marlis Huinker, Elaine Knoke-Martin (by phone), Jane Metcalf, Lucy Sharp, Pastor Paula Anderson and Gary Kuehl, guest.

The minutes from June 12 were reviewed with several corrections and a motion was made by Mike to approve the minutes, seconded by Jane and passed.

Building and Grounds - Gary Kuehl reported that he contacted Mark Kempal for a written bid so that a comparison can be made to Jon Banse, Seedorf Masonry and KARR bids. Gary will follow up with Mark. The boiler gauge needs to be ordered and Meyer Mechanical was unclear of the placement. Mike will follow up. Jay talked to Culligan about getting a water softener. A small one will be about \$1700. They have a 6 month no interest payment plan. It was agreed that a smaller one would be sufficient. The back porch floor at the parsonage is rotten and needs to be replaced. Gary will get an estimate from Meuser for wood or composite and they can find someone to do the work. It was agreed not to replace the lattice. Jay noted that the thermostat at the parsonage is broken. There was a motion by Jane to buy a small water softener from Culligan and replace the thermostat from Central Heating & Plumbing, seconded by Elaine and passed.

Finance Report - Marlis reported that we are slightly behind on expenses and income. Elaine requested that the rental revenue from the parsonage be shown on the Statement of Activity. There was a motion by Jane to approve the Finance Report, seconded by Mike and passed.

Pastor's Report - Pastor Paula reported on the meetings she has held including committees, Stephen Ministers, service at the Care Center and 3 hospital calls.

Christian Education - no report

Worship - no report

Missions - no report

Memorial - Elaine requested approval to replace the carpet in the office and Pastor's office for \$3,531 and the paint both rooms. Mike moved to approve both expenditures, seconded by Lucy and passed. The committee is looking into purchasing new banners and also other options to the electronic display for the narthex as the proposed set up is expensive and will require ongoing maintenance to keep it current.

New Business - We received a donation for a chair that tilts forward to help the person rise. There was a motion by Jane to accept the offer of a chair with lift, seconded by Marlis and passed. The July outdoor service was well attended so another one will be planned for September 10 with help from Worship Committee. Jay reported that Deb found another supplier for the AED pads and wall mount and will order them. The Fall Festival Committee declined incorporating a 100th anniversary celebration into their event. Jane suggested a program for tree planting to commemorate the 100th where people could buy a tree (reasonably priced) and plant wherever they want.

The next meeting will be August 14. There was a motion by Mike to adjourn and 6:20 pm, seconded by Marlis.

The Council adjourned to a closed meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucy Sharp