

BETHANY LUTHERAN Church COUNCIL
September 8, 2022

Attendance:

Jan Olson – President
Mike Nelson – Vice President
Jack Bartlett – Secretary
Sam Schurke
Kelly Jorgenson
Keith Kapelke
Bill Hagen
Travis Lake
Pastor Shawn Osborne

Absent:

Doug Buffington - Excused

Meeting called to order by Jan Olson 6:30 PM

Prayer Request: Members of the Council brought up six prayer requests. Pastor Shawn gave the opening prayer and included the prayer requests.

Correspondence:

- Distributed to Council Members a beautiful appreciation letter from Child Bridge thanking our Church for our annual support and what they have accomplished.

August Minutes: Approved as submitted with corrections.

Treasurer's Report: Accepted and approved for audit.

Pastor's Report:

- August 20 – Led physical training for the Cub Scout day camp.
- August 28 – Played at Vicki's outdoor music jam.
- September 10 - Last day of Mission Ready for the season, very rewarding and successful.
- Keeping up with many Communion visits.
- Using Good Sam funds paid for a needy lady's hotel for a night and provided assistance to two church families.
- Will be leaving for Moorhead after confirmation class on Sept 11, but back before church the next Sunday.

President's Report:

- Pleased with the progress of the church and all the good work of Pastor Shawn, Council and Committees.

Committee Reports:

Worship and Music Report:

- We bin a-worshipping, an we bin a-singing', an nobody's gotten hurt.

Property Report:

- Installing a 2' overhead LED light above the kitchen of the Parsonage (thanks Ken).
- Cost proposal for installation ceiling vent in first floor main bathroom Parsonage \$1,428. Approved by the Council.
- Repairing a slow leak to sprinkler system again thanks to Ken.

- White Cross base on Church roof needs inspection, Bill Hagen.
- Bill also brought attention to two lights are out in the elevator.

Congregational Life:

- Doing well, Potluck dinners in the planning stage.

Beyond Our Walls:

- Keith and Jack will prepare Bethany's Special Offering list before December.

Care Team Report:

- Jan will ask care team to include respite care assistance for care givers in our church family.
- Meals were provided to Betty Stuart.

Old Business:

- Approved a proposal from Eyehear Technology Group to install a new laser projector and a 124" Ambient Light Rejecting Projection screen for \$9,950.00. This new system will modernize and greatly improve the quality of the Church's visual presentations. This work will be assisted by Jack Bartlett, Travis Lake and Ken Olson. Monies will come from Memorials.
- Keith offered some names to assist the blocking of the south road with boulders.
- Samantha informed the Council that Mark will estimate the cost for parking lot security cameras.

New Business:

- Council approved a proposal to change our Fire Alarm system to a cellular dialing system. The first year's costs are \$1,406.00 and then the yearly fee will be \$496. This will improve our Fire Alarm system .Thank you Chris Miller for your research.
- The Council discussed the possible renaming the church and each member joined in the discussion with Pastor Shawn. Pastor Shawn and the Council state that any change will be made in "baby steps" with complete transparency. Discussion forums with the congregation will set up the first of the year.

Closing Prayer: Lord's Prayer

Adjourn: 9:00 PM

Next Meeting: October 13, 2022 6:30 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Bartlett,
Secretary