

APPROVED Council Meeting Minutes

Thursday, July 2nd, 2020 (Changed from July 9th, 2020 scheduled date)

Members Present: Pastor Bruce Arnevik, Nancy Arnold, Karen Mickelson, Jason Moehring, Kathy Neuberger, Tom Olson, Deacon Glenndy Ose, Pastor Maria Pederson, Peder Sannerud, Karen Schrecongost, Mike Voegele, Laura Welciek

Member Excused: Jim Jerylo

The meeting was called to order by Council President, Nancy Arnold

Devotions provided by Deacon Glenndy Ose. From a book of prayers: Theme – for rejecting a fear of others.

Standing Rules Reminder: Nancy highlighted the Standing Rules on the Agenda.

Council Agenda Review: No changes to the Agenda.

Secretary's Report: Karen Mickelson shared the June 2020 Council Meeting Minutes, they were reviewed. **Motion was made to "APPROVE Meeting Minutes as written". MOTION CARRIED.**

Team Reports

- ✚ **Chapel/Cemetery/Columbarium:** Tom Olson shared the team had a meeting yesterday, July 1st.
 - **Columbarium:** Decision has been made to order pavers for the Columbarium. The Columbarium Fund has \$6000 available and the additional \$2000 needed will come from the Cemetery Fund. The pavers will make the space around the Columbarium handicap accessible. Hard Hats will install the pavers.
 - **Team Member:** Gary Larson has been appointed as the new Chapel/Cemetery/Columbarium Team Member to fill in the vacant position due to a resignation for the rest of the term until January 2021.
- ✚ **Children's Ministry:** Trying to adopt an OWL – not having a good response. Tuesday Morning Kids is continuing each Tuesday at 10:00 am. Working on options for future Sunday School.
- ✚ **Constitution:** No updates.
- ✚ **Endowment:** No updates.
- ✚ **Finance:** Decision was made to take the three (3) month deferral on the mortgage payments (principal and interest) for July/August/September, which are our leanest months of giving.
Dave Anderson is on the finance and audit team and will step in to look into the accounting of the Chapel/Cemetery/Columbarium account.
Having some reporting problems with ShelbyNext right now. Kim is working on the issues.
Because this meeting was moved up a week, a printed finance report was not available
➔ **Jason will sent out report later in the month**
The new report will show where and how the Payroll Protection Plan (PPP) came in and where it was used for payroll.
- ✚ **Human Resources:** No updates.
- ✚ **IT Steering Team:** No updates.
- ✚ **Outreach (Global, Social, Local):** No updates.
- ✚ **Preschool:** Peder got connected with Lissa. Have 15 students registered for fall classes. Maximum is 20 (10 per room). August 1st a letter will be going out with information of what is know about COVID-19 requirements.
- ✚ **Property/ Building/ERT/Security:**
 - **Security:** No updates.
 - **ERT:** All are safe.
 - **Property:** Need weed whippers on a weekly basis. Bell Tower, stains are being removed
 - **Chapel:** New ramp has been installed at the chapel. Just needs paint now.
- ✚ **Stewardship:** No updates.
- ✚ **Visioning Team:** ON HOLD TEMPORARILY.
- ✚ **Worship & Music:** In August the choir is planning to have video collage as part of worship. Working on parking lot worship. FM Transmitter for parking lot services has arrived. Outdoor sounds system has been ordered. Summer Music Series at the Chapel videos have all been recorded.

Youth & Confirmation Ministry:

- **Confirmation Large Group:** Leisha is doing Camp Wapo online. Part of it is a nightly ZOOM Campfire with 10-14 kids.
- **Youth:** Songs and stories are being recorded to use with the youth. And Game Night will continue.
- **Graduates:** Eight (8) High School Seniors from our congregation received handmade quilts from our quilting groups. . Three seniors were not able to attend. Will be doing a slideshow of the Seniors on July 12th.

Old Business

1) Call Committee:

- a. Laura Welciek shared the committee has interviewed six (6) candidates. Monday, July 6th will start second round of interviews. The Call Committee is trying to make no rash or snap decisions. Even though they are in uncharted territory right now, they will keep going and take healthy pauses as needed.

2) Chapel Foundation:

- a. Karen Mickelson shared that the Chapel/Cemetery/Columbarium Team approved her as the Co-Project Manager along with Dan Hallberg of the Foundation repair/replacement. At this point, going forward with applying for \$10,000 grant from the National Park Service Legacy Grant Program. This grant would be to do an assessment of the foundation and give guidance of where to go from there.

3) COVID-19:

- a. **Parking Lot Service:** Pr Bruce Arnevik shared results of opening the parking lot for congregation members to attend church service on the premises in their vehicles with their cell phones or tablets. Pastors and Staff had no idea of what to expect the first Sunday. There were three (3) vehicles that showed up. Some had lawn chairs.
- b. **Parking Lot Live Service:** Planning to have it up and running for August 2nd with FM Transmitter and speakers.
- c. **Church Opening:** Staff would like Council's opinion on allowing people in the building.
 - Council felt it should be EASED INTO. Perhaps it would be church operational team to start with, i.e. Council, HR Team, Finance Team, Call Committee, and only use the Gathering Space and NO FOOD.
 - Rules of being back in the building: Bring wipes and sprays to sanitize. Length of time 1 ½ hours,
 - Research CDC Requirements for info/guidance about length of meetings.
 - Ask Jan for feedback of teams that meet there

Celebration Moments

New Business

- 1) **Report any sale of stock:** No updates.
- 2) **Mail Bag:** No mail.
- a. **Treasurer's Report:** Jason Moehring presented the June report. Jason shared that offerings were up the last two Sundays. And first time in a very long time that we have had \$101,000 in the checking account. Reserve Fund is staying untouched. Deferral, PPP, and offerings have all helped. Jason wrote an article for the Seeds of Faith Newsletter about the mortgage deferral. Jason also felt has been nice to not be dipping into the reserve fund and being cautious of our expenses.
- b. **MOTION was made to approve Treasurer's report as presented. MOTION CARRIED.**

Adjourn: MOTION was made to adjourn the meeting. MOTION CARRIED and was followed by the Lord's Prayer.

NEXT MEETING: August 13th, 2020 at 6:30 PM

Devotions: Karen Mickelson

Dinner: Not being served at this time because of COVID-19

Respectfully Submitted,
Karen Mickelson, Council Secretary