

Tree of Life Church Council Minutes

Monday, April 19, 2021 6:30 PM ZOOM Meeting

Members present: President Jack Zimmer, Vice-President Kevin Solberg, Treasurer Jim Lemaux, Secretary Russ Bliese, Sandy McCarthy, Tom Gros, Richard Schaper, Julie Timmins, Pat Rowe, Pastor Chris Lake Peggy Little.

Visitors: Office Manager Jill Waldrop

A. President Jack Zimmer called the meeting to order@ 6:33 PM. Pastor Chris read Daniel Chapter 4 v19-27.

B. Consent Agenda

- I. Motion: Adoption of Agenda
- II. Motion: Approval of Minutes (March 22, 2021)
- III. Motion: Ratify New Members: Ann & Ben Goga and Cathy & Dan Jackson

MOTION: Pastor Chris moved to accept the Consent Agenda; Lemaux seconded. All were in favor and the motion passed.

C. Financial Reports

- I. Monthly statements (March 2021)
Lemaux reviewed the March financial statement, indicating that the March income was \$45,140 and expenses were \$38,021 for a gain of \$7,119. There was

discussion on expenses under \$25.00 not needing approval from the board and this was placed in a motion by Solberg and seconded by Schaper. All were in favor and the motion passed. The Sam's credit card bill was paid twice and there will be a credit of \$2800.

MOTION: Julie Timmins moved to accept the Financial Report and Schaper seconded. All were in favor and the motion passed.

- II. Stimulus Package PPP Update on Grant
Lemaux reported the PPP grant was approved and TOL received funding in the amount of \$29,179.78.

D. Pastoral Report

Pastor Chris reported Susie and Matt Martinson will be joining the church as new members. A conference table was donated to the church along with chairs, filing cabinets and an office desk. The conference table is in need of a few repairs. A meeting was held regarding the upcoming Synod meeting in May. A couple of volunteers will be needed. The YMCA will be renting the education building this summer. They would like to do a service project as well. Pastor Chris would like some ideas on fund raising for Kings Embrace. A couple of security cameras were purchased and placed on the grounds to cover the entrance driveways. On May 16, there will be a new member induction. The stolen trailer was not insured but the contents are. An insurance claim is in the works. Pastor Chris will be meeting with youth ministers next week. The playground area is in need of additional mulch. Kings Embrace is requesting funding of \$1,500 for a push plow. A motion was

made by Solberg and seconded by Timmins to fund this project. All were in favor and the motion passed.

E. Old Business

I. COVID Task Force Update

Everything is going well during the church service on Sunday. There has been no spread of COVID at the church. Masks are currently required in church with a change to optional masks on June 5, 2021.

II. Memorial Walk/ Prayer Path Update

There was a sale of a stone to the Wade Family. It will be required that a signature is obtained before any stone is engraved.

III. 2021 Planning Retreat

June 12, 2021 from 9am-3pm at the Solberg residence with a pot luck lunch.

F. New Business

I. Congregational Second Quarter Meeting:

The 2nd quarter meeting will be held in July.

II. The ELCA Synod Assembly will be held at Tree of Life in May 2021. Two members will be needed to assist.

III. The May council meeting will be postponed until June at the retreat. Council will start in June meeting in person.

G. Jack Zimmer adjourned the meeting at 8:24 PM and Pastor Chris closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Russ Bliese

Council Secretary

