

Tree of Life Lutheran Church

Council Minutes

May 9, 2018

Members present – President – Jack Zimmer, Larry Klotz – Vice President, Secretary – Linda Baumgartner, Pastor Chris Lake, Susie Rust, Richard Schaper, Annie Lindeman, Kevin Solberg, Kirk Helberg and George Timmins

Members not present – Financial Secretary – Heidi Beckham and Treasurer – Jim Voelz

Meeting was called to order by President Jack Zimmer at 6:30

**A. Consent Agenda**

1. Motion - Adopt tonight's agenda
2. Minutes - Approval of March council minutes
3. Acceptance of new members – Amanda and Megan Dillon
4. George Timmons moved that the Consent Agenda be approved. Kevin Solberg seconded. All in favor. The motion passed.

**B Discussion agenda**

**Financial Report** – George Timmons moved that the financial report be accepted as presented. Larry Klotz seconded. All in favor. The motion passed. Heidi Beckham asked if she could close the Vanco system. Council suggested that Heidi pursue individual phone calls to the 11 people who have not transferred to Relhm. Heidi Beckham and Lisa Lemaux were encouraged to attempt to get all the accounts transferred to Relhm by the June council meeting.

**Pastoral Report** – Pastor Chris is taking an active role in the National Youth Gathering. He will be involved from June 21 – July 2. This will involve Pastor being gone for Sunday services. He will also not be here on Sunday July 8 and 15 when he will be on vacation. Pastor will attempt to get the Sundays covered. If he cannot, Tree of Life will not have communion on the Sundays he is absent.

**New Business** – Kirk Helberg moved that we take the building committee's recommendation that we do not replace the steeple on Fellowship Hall and use the \$4,000 surplus from Church Mutual Insurance be used to fund a building account. (Not replacing the steeple will help to ensure the integrity of the roof and the potential of leakage from installing a new steeple over time.) Richard Shaper seconded. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Melissa Minnieri and Shelley Pfluger has been appointed to be the audit committee. The audit will be conducted this summer.

## **Old Business**

Susie Rust asked to add Jim Voelz as a liason to the Worship Planning team.

Council continued to discuss and revise the policy manual.

Action item – Pastor will contact several churches to ask them for their personnel manual. Those manuals will be used as reference to develop ours.

Next meeting is June 13 at 6:30.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:43.

Pastor Chris lead council in praying the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Baumgartner, Secretary