

**CONCORDIA LUTHERAN CHURCH
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – May 8, 2024**

Jamey Backus called the meeting to order. Pastor opened the meeting with a prayer.

Present: Pastor Heller, Jamey Backus, Joslyn Frey, Ray Sorge, Lonny Buchmann, Kevin Hermann, Joslyn Frey, Anne Rosenow, Richard Simenson, Terence Schmidt, and Tiffany Sommerer.

Absent: Jonathan Schlender, Nona Blaisdell

MOTION by Joslyn to approve and dispense the reading of the March 2024 council minutes, seconded by Richard, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Sound system for church- Dakota sound came on May 6th to adjust the sound system. Less background noise, organ volume less. If any additional issues/concerns, please let Jamey know.
- Special tax assessment – Meeting did not happen on the 22nd, moved to May 21st. Discussion on new lot and assessment. Lot does have sewer and water.
- Storage/display of Bible from St. James Church in Golden Valley, will visit with Howard to see if he can come up with something.

TREASURER’S REPORT – Joslyn Frey

- Letter received from Lutheran Church extension fund. Maturity date is this month. Discussion occurred if should continue with this. Current rate is 2.75% and is a floating rate. LCEF set-up. Decision made to leave as is and have rollover.

Building Fund \$59,702.03, Sunday School \$2,102.02, LYF \$2,151.70, Music Fund \$2,103.00, Memorial/Misc \$60,826.86, Endowment Interest \$2,216.95, Thrivent \$21,073.87, Savings \$150,176.43, Checking \$139,146.75

FINANCIAL SECRETARY’S REPORT – Lonny Buchmann –

As of 05/05/24

Income	YTD	Budget to Date	\$73,532.52
General Fund	\$98,235.00	Income to Date	\$107,981.73
Loose Offering	\$1,254.00	Short/over to Date	\$34,449.21
Electronic Offering	\$8,111.53	Short/over per Week	\$1,913.85
Missions	\$0.00	Building Fund	\$3,465.00
Misc	\$381.20	Memorial Fund	\$1,500.00
TOTAL	\$107,981.73	Music Fund	\$220.00
		Sunday School	\$0.00
		Miscellaneous	\$0.00
		Thrivent	\$1,566.00
		Endowment Fund	\$0.00
		Total General Savings	\$6,751.00

MOTION by Terence to accept the financial reports, seconded by Ray, motion carried.

DIRECTOR’S REPORTS:

LAY MINISTRY – Jonathan Schlender – Absent, no report.

EVANGELISM – Vacant – No updates

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION – Terence Schmidt

- Last week of Sunday school is next week.

LYF – Anne Rosenow

- Bowling on May 1. 17 kids in attendance, went well.
- Will help kids make treats for Mother's Day and Father's Day.
- Planning on potentially going to a Lark's game this summer
- Bonfire at Anne's house this summer

STEWARDSHIP – Vacant - No updates

CHURCH PROPERTIES – Richard Simenson

- Contacted City Hall to get a hold of the individual to tar parking lot
- Mowing – Ray has been using his own machine, as church mower brakes not functioning, and is unsafe to use
- Group discussion on purchasing zero turn mower. Jamey will look at pricing.
- Spraying – contract in mailbox for spraying complete. Joslyn has sent in.
- Programmable heating system- Had in house electrician look at this. Burned out heater behind organ. Discussed that to fix would have to move organ and platform. Currently disconnected so does not burn out fuse. Group discussion to leave disconnected.
- Shingles/gutters done last fall, some leakage occurring
- Water stains in baby room. Do not want to cover up art in this area. Continue to monitor.

PARISH FELLOWSHIP – Nona Blaisdell – absent. Report given.

- Upcoming Sunday will be Graduation Potluck – Thrivent will provide ham and buns. Free will offering to Seminary Student.
- Navalyn using Church on graduation Sunday, setting up Saturday
- LYF is serving for Mother's Day and Father's Day coffee hour
- Membership books are arriving this week

PUBLIC RELATIONS – Ray Sorge

- Flowers are out in time for Mother's Day. Will take out of Thrivent account.

MOTION by Kevin to accept director's reports, seconded by Ray, motion carried.

STATE OF PARISH – Pastor Heller

- Attended District Conference. Discussed shortage of pastors and vacancies throughout the country.
- Lutheran Family Services tabled until next district convention

NEW BUSINESS:

- Terence brought up idea of getting a larger shed and place on extra lot for more storage.

Next meeting July 10th at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned by Kevin, seconded by Ray, closed with Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tiffany Sommerer
Secretary

Attachment: Plan of Action Items

Not Approved