

## **MELLINGERS LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

On June 14<sup>th</sup>, the June meeting of the Church Council was held with the following people in attendance: Robin Barr, Randy Brubaker, Rick Dillon, Dave Haldeman, Gail Harker, Sam Heiser, Kristi Leonhard, Kelly Parrish, Nick Rampolla, Carl Tobias, Vicar Tina Toburen and Shari Weaver

Absent: Ryan Brubaker, Pastor Tim Craven, Tess Freeman, Ron Gehr and Dick Raffauf

Council President, Rick Dillon, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

**DEVOTIONS:** Vicar Tina Toburen led the council in devotions with a reading from Matthew the 3<sup>rd</sup> chapter and a prayer.

**TIME OF THANKSGIVING:** Everyone shared something that they were thankful about at the commencement of the meeting.

**COUNCIL MINUTES:** Members of the Council reviewed the minutes of the May 10<sup>th</sup> meeting. Rick Dillon asked for any comments, questions, or corrections.

A member was upset that we liquidated the Stuber fund because the interest with the funds was to be used for repairs in the church. Rick Dillon stated that the council utilized the money for the benefit of the church. The money was utilized in the spirit of what the funds were contributed.

Randy Brubaker made a motion to accept the minutes, Dave Haldeman seconded, and the motion carried.

**CONGREGATIONAL AUDIT MINUTES:** Members of the Council reviewed the minutes of the April 25<sup>th</sup> Congregational Audit Meeting. Rick Dillon stated that the report was a straight forward report of the review of the audit which was accepted by the congregation.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Members of the Council reviewed the Treasurer's Report. Rick Dillon asked for any comments, questions, or corrections.

Gail Harker inquired if we had enough to funds under the line item for the Vicar Fund. Vicar Tina stated there is just one more month for rent and expenses and that we should get the security deposit back.

Carl Tobias inquired why the funds left in the Undesignated Memorials were not taken to the Pipe Organ Funds. His understanding was that all funds remaining in Undesignated Memorials were to be taken to the Pipe Organ Fund. Carl is aware that the office equipment desperately needs to be updated. He is concerned where the numbers changed. Rick Dillon stated there was an error in the reporting of the Pipe Organ Fund the month before which led the council to vote to use the funds towards upgrading office equipment and all future funds will be used towards the Pipe Organ Project. Carl Tobias stated that he did not agree with the use of the undesignated funds. Nick Rampolla asked what other money he would need to finish the Pipe Organ Project.

Nick Rampolla gave a summary of this month's Treasurer's Report. Nick stated that we owe Mission Support and recommended that we come to pay to date the Hunger Appeal and catch up one month of Mission Support.

Dave Haldeman made a motion to accept the Treasurer's recommendations, Robin Barr seconded, and the motion carried.

Dave Haldeman made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as amended, Shari Weaver seconded, and the motion carried.

**PASTOR'S REPORT:** Members of the Council reviewed the Pastor's report.

Gail Harker mentioned that the first activity should not be participated in by Mellingers. The project for the first activity should be removed from Mellingers premises which is where the children get experience seeing what a homeless person lives like.

Gail Harker made a motion to purchase a brick for the Pathway of Honor at the Schoeneck's Veteran's Memorial at the price of \$60, Kristi Leonhard seconded and the motion carried.

Pastor Tim requested that we move the July council meeting to July 5<sup>th</sup>.

Gail Harker made a motion to accept the Pastor's Report, Dave Haldeman seconded, and the motion carried.

**VICAR'S REPORT:** The Vicar stated that she will submit a report for the August Council Meeting. Gail Harker made a motion to accept the Vicar's Report, Dave Haldeman seconded, and the motion passed.

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MEETING REPORT:** The minutes were read from the June 8<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Shari Weaver has asked that the area behind the curtain be cleared and the bell tables removed for Vacation Bible School. Carl Tobias stated that bells are done for the season and the tables can be taken down. Randy Brubaker made a motion that the Sunday School can close off the back chaired area of the sanctuary for the Sunday School's use for the July 31<sup>st</sup> service, Dave Haldeman seconded and the motion passed.

Randy Brubaker made a motion to accept the minutes, Kristi Leonhard seconded and the motion carried.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES:** The minutes were read from the May 16<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Gail Harker made a motion to accept the minutes, Rick Dillon seconded and the motion carried.

**SOCIAL MINISTRY COMMITTEE MINUTES:** The minutes were read from the May 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting.

**STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE MINUTES:** The minutes were read from the May 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting.

**WORSHIP & MUSIC COMMITTEE MINUTES:** The May 25<sup>th</sup> minutes were reviewed.

A correction was made that Nancy Hain attended the meeting not Nancy Shortuse.

Carl Tobias stated that we got 39 choir gowns in good condition from St. James Church in West Reading.

Carl stated that the Pipe Organs will be completed on the choir side first. They will be getting a statement from a professional engineer that the modifications being made are sound structurally.

Randy Brubaker made a motion to accept the minutes, Kristi Leonhard seconded, motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. The consensus of the church council was that the money from the Undesignated Memorials should be used for the pipe organ project, not the office system upgrades.
2. Office Opportunities: Office Equipment and connectivity issues were reviewed. Rick Dillon asked that the office staff get with the Property Committee to review the cost to run cable to the church and the effects this will have on the meet me line. Rick Dillon asked that the staff provide an itemized list of equipment and prices for upgrading the office equipment.
3. Water Testing: Rick Dillon suggested that the office staff meet with the property committee in reference to water testing schedule.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. The church secretary asked everyone to test their keys on the back door. If their key does not work, please notify the secretary so she can make you another key.

Randy Brubaker made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Sam Heiser seconded the motion, and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kelly Parrish  
Council Secretary