

St. John's Church Council Minutes April 21, 2020

Council Members Present: Tom Pamperin, Shirl Tischauser, Liz Fischer, Mary Hoppe, Nancy Helms, Sue Conradt, Kelly Trebus, Carol Polzin, Wanda Tucker & Curly Krueger Also Present-Pastor Roald Harswick & Sheri Fuhrman

Council Members Absent: none

Meeting called to order by President Kelly Trebus at 5:30 pm.

Meeting opened with Prayer & Devotions by Curly Krueger

Mission Statement was read.

Member Comments: Wanda questioned who was all in church during the pandemic, heard possibly people were coming in and out. Pastor & Sheri said its all good no one is in there but them unless arrangements have been made. Also Mary asked if we were being charged for garbage pickup because they haven't been picking it up. Tom will check with Finance.

Secretary's Report: With no changes or corrections, Mary Hoppe made a motion to approve the March 17th minutes. Nancy Helms seconded the motion. Motion carried.
With no changes or corrections, Shirl Tischauser made a motion to approve March 30th minutes. Curly Krueger seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: With no changes or corrections Liz Fischer made a motion to approve the March financials. Sue Conradt seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Pastor's Report and Questions: Pastor reported that the 2 weddings originally scheduled for 2020 have now been moved to 2021. The sunday services via facebook have seen a decline since Easter. Any suggestions for the videos let Pastor know.
Synod is doing Zoom tuesdays & thursdays...possible thoughts on congregation doing something for summer? Not sure yet on anything for the kids.
Funeral services: many are thinking of having a celebration of life or memorial during the summer, wondering if we could offer a joint memorial? Thoughts?
Revenue loss: we should check our insurance policies. Shirl will look into this.
Pastor & Sheri would like newsletter info to them as soon as possible. Mary mentioned that the Carley Auction is cancelled for July. We will now be on for July 2021. Please add to newsletter. We will be offering a Mother's Day drive thru like Palm Sunday. Wanda will check with Larrabee Gardens on getting flowers.
Drive thru communion was mentioned. The Bishop does not want us to do this.

Governor has presented stages of reopening. We would most likely qualify for stage 2 in the 50 ppl or less. Will discuss later.

Old Business: Focus on Energy was looked into. We would not save anything. Tom Kraeger went through it.

Any Other Old Business: None at this time.

New Business: St John's qualifies for a SBA loan. Executive Council made a move to apply for this. The first round of funds ran out before we got in. We are possibly in the next round and this would be a loan for \$15,000. If we meet loan conditions this loan would be forgiven. Motion was made by Sue Conradt to approve and move forward with this. Seconded by Nancy Helms. Motion carried.

Quarterly Benevolence was done. Paid \$2300. \$500 to Shawano Conference, \$250 Homme Home, \$420 Backpack program, \$250 to Bethany. The remainder to Lutheran Social Services. Motion was made by Tom Pamperin to approve and seconded by Liz Fischer. Motion carried. Church lawn mowing: Curly will once again take care of this just wants help changing the snowblower to the mower deck. Shirl will talk with properties and see if maybe Nick LeNoble will help with this.

Sunday school picnic was discussed. Decided to not have it since we had such a low turnout last year. Recognition of graduates. Thinking possibly the 2nd sunday in June. Kelly will check into what we did for gifts last year.

Synod Assembly offering. The meeting was moved from May to August but a motion was made by Tom Pamperin to have the check ready when assembly is held for \$250. Seconded by Liz Fischer, motion carried.

Tom also wants us to think about where funds should come from if General fund is low. Wants us to think about this so he knows what to tell finance when or if this happens.

Other New Business: Kelly & Liz will be signing loan renewal papers this next week. Wanda reported that the call committee met with a candidate via Zoom. Now just waiting for a in person interview.

Action Team Reports:

Confirmation: Tom Pamperin and Pastor will be meeting in a few weeks. Students watching online services and taking notes will count as a worship.

Education: Tom Pamperin had nothing to report at this time.

Finance: Tom noted that we were a little short for the month of March but its not the worst.

Sanctuary update: \$166,000 in pledges was collected of the \$260,000 total pledged so all looks good so far.

Stewardship: nothing at this time

Youth: nothing at this time

Property: nothing at this time

Fellowship: waiting for game schedule so they can plan the fall dinner.

Closed Session: Not needed at this time.

Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

A motion was made by Tom Pamperin to adjourn the meeting. Liz Fischer seconded the motion. Motion carried. President, Kelly Trebus adjourned the meeting at 6:36 pm.

Next Council Meeting: May 19th, 5:30pm

Executive Council Meeting: TBD

May: Kelly Trebus

Respectfully Submitted,

Liz Fischer
Council Secretary