

Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday June 13, 2023 - 7:30 in person

Attendees: S. Moore, S. Rogers, E. Weinstein, A. Kirk, B. Tyson, M. Randolph, T. Mandik, M. Shaw, B. Miller-Seeley, A. Mastrangelo, C. Kirk, L. Hoshaw

Absent: J. Florio

Call to Order: S. Moore called the meeting to order at 7:30pm. B. Tyson gave devotions.

Action/Discussion Items:

- Officers need to be elected for the year 2023-2024. The current officers were nominated to stay in their current positions. B. Miller-Seeley made a motion to keep the officers the same as this past year. B. Tyson 2nd the motion. Motion passed. S. Moore-President/M. Shaw-Vice President/E. Weinstein-Secretary
- The combined service of Zion, Centennial and St. Peter's held at Zion on June 11th was a success. About 96 people attended in total. There was a lot of positive feedback regarding the joint worship service as well as the joint choir singing.
- T. Mandik reported that the potential pastor the Call Committee had been interviewing has decided to follow a call in Virginia. T. Mandik was given the name of a Pastor who is working on a call from another church but does not have anything lined up for Summer. T. Mandik will give that name to E. Galamba and S. Rogers.
- Reverend Mike Poteet will be the guest Pastor for July 2nd, 23rd and 30th.
- A brief discussion was held about possibly advertising for a Pastor in Living Lutheran magazine. If so we should advertise that Zion has a parsonage.
- L. Hoshaw discussed the need to replace the chime system as it is no longer working. The current system was purchased from Church Specialities in 2004 and is Windows based. It has a 20 year shelf life. Church Specialities no longer makes the parts to repair the disc drive, the part that no longer works, so a new system would need to be purchased. One system would be around \$9,600 and another system would be around \$7,600 - both quotes include a \$1,000 rebate for trading in the old system. 20 churches in PA have a system from Church Specialities. L. Hoshaw also received a quote from Bells of America which is Apple based. They quoted around \$5,000 which includes a 5 year warranty. L. Hoshaw is also waiting on a quote from one more company. T. Mandik and L.

Hoshaw will work together to research the options and will report back to the council.

- A. Kirk made a motion to accept the May meeting minutes. B. Miller-Seeley 2nd the motion. Motion passed.

Reports:

- Pastor's report:

-Nothing to report.

-Christian Ed/Youth:

- There will be a couple youth from St. Peter's that will be joining Zion's youth.
- Dean Christopher Frantz only has a few youth in his West Chester congregation. S. Rogers and him will work together to do some combined activities between the two ministries this upcoming year.
- Please review the Christian Ed Report for more details.
- M. Shaw made a motion to approve the Youth Group activities for the Summer. B. Miller-Seeley 2nd the motion. Motion passed.
- Congrats to the 5 ladies that got confirmed. Reverend Mike Poteet did a great job.

-Finance Committee/Monthly reports:

-S. Moore mentioned that J. Florio was a bit disappointed that May was not a better month since there were no Pastor expenses.

-B. Miller-Seeley made a motion to accept the Financial Reports. B.Tyson 2nd the motion. Motion passed.

-Worship and Music:

-B. Tyson mentioned that W&M would like the 2nd service to have the same privileges as the 1st service. They also had some concerns regarding 1st communion for the 2nd service kids as well as where the kids in 1st communion sit in the pews. Furthermore they would like a choir at the 2nd service. However this would be based on whether the choir volunteers would like to stay for the 2nd service. S. Moore suggested these be tabled until we have a Pastor. The new Pastor might have specific thoughts on these concerns/requests.

-Zion School Board:

-D. Platchek gave Council a list of special dates for Zion Preschool. Council needs the school's full schedule of all events, not just special dates. S. Rogers

will let D. Platcheck know that Council will need the full list including classroom parties, zoo day, special events, etc.

-Social Ministry:

-Nothing to report.

-Property:

-Leaking relief valve at the entrance in the sanctuary has been repaired.

-Pump release for the sewer was replaced - it was 12 years old.

-R. Muntz will replace flush valves on toilets.

-Flush and shut off valve was replaced in parsonage toilet plus an extra extermination treatment completed as part of contract.

-Floor in the office was removed in one day.

-Received a quote from Salvo for seal coating the driveway in the amount of \$24,000. They gave a quote of \$4,750 for patchwork around the box drain.

Waiting on another quote for the patchwork. D. Bauman had Charlestown Paving come out to assess the driveway and they said the driveway is not in good enough conditions to seal coat it. It should be replaced.

-Thank you to Steve and Jeremy Batten for installing the AC's.

-Hot water heater stopped working but has been repaired.

-T. Mandik reported that the safe in the office cannot be opened. When pulling the handle the bars are not retracting. The company we used before is no longer in business. He mentioned that there is a company called Valley Forge Locksmith located on Route 202. S. Moore will ask D. Bauman to give them a call.

-Technology:

-Chimes need replacing which was discussed under Action Items.

-Zion Cemetery:

-Did not meet.

-Ministry Campaign:

-Nothing to report.

-Community Connections:

-Community Days in Spring City on June 3rd went well. Sold some raffle tickets for the handmade quilt.

-Nothing more to report.

-Call Committee:

-Discussed Pastor situation under Action Items..

-Stewardship:

-Nothing to report.

Open Discussion:

-S. Rogers said that AA is requesting to meet in the council room until the office set up in the Muhlenberg room goes back to the office. It will be for the next 4-5 weeks. M. Shaw made a motion to allow AA to use the council room for the time being. A. Kirk 2nd the motion. Motion passed. S. Rogers will let AA know the motion passed.

-Next meeting is 7/11 at 7:30. E. Weinsteiniger has devotions.

-August there will be no council meeting.

-B. Miller-Seeley made a motion to adjourn. E. Weinsteiniger 2nd the motion. Motion passed.