

# BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH

## COUNCIL MEETING

May 21, 2019

Council Members Present: Casey Anguiano, Jerry Bauck, Gayle Breeding, Dave Brockman, Darlene Fernelius, Jessie Hanna, Pastor Jean Margie Shea and Johnna Voto.

Council Members Absent: Dennis McCave

Meeting was opened with prayer by Gayle

Minutes from last month meeting approved.

### Committee Reports

Treasurers report – attached

Total Income	Total Expenses	Net Income	End Cash Balance
\$13,803.76	(\$9,426.92)	\$4,376.84	\$10,343.97

Pastors report – Review April and May newsletters for what Pastor has been doing.

Property Committee – No Report

Outreach Report

Family Promise – report attached

Fellowship-

Youth Group – no report

Worship and Music – no report

WELCA – no report

### Old Business

Children of Bethlehem sign update – Johnna is getting estimates for the making of the sign. Gary Koch said he would cover the cost so we want to make sure he is involved with the decision.

Emergency Fund- President Margie, Connie Sider, Pastor and Darlene will be constructing guidelines regarding this fund.

Synod Assembly - Voting members will be Dave Brockman and Jan Harper along with Pastor Jean.

Picture Day update – apparently some people were not aware that we were planning to take picture to update our directory.

## New Business

Barb Bohle has resigned as alternate Council Member

Billings Church Locator – Dave made a motion to continue our ad in the Church Locator. Motion was seconded and passed. Pres. Margie was going to contact the person about the ad and make sure it is up to date.

Pastor had inquired if any adult members are interested in joining our kids at Christikon. If I understood correctly, adults are invited to join at no cost.

There is also a question to whether we covered the cost of the family weekend at Christikon last fall. A few people were going to be contacted regarding this; otherwise we were going to see if we could a portion of the cost.

Treasurer's mail – There is a concern that Darlene is not getting all the mail she needs in a timely manner. Part of the issue is that, trying to be transparent; Pastor makes a log of all incoming mail pieces (excluding junk). This gets to be time consuming for Pastor, to help with this she is looking for some office help a few hours a week. I believe Pastor was going to ask Andrew if he would consider this. Jessie volunteered if Andrew is not interested.

Synod website tutorials – we will start viewing the tutorials next month in lieu of prayers.

A motion was made and seconded to reduce services to just one service on Sundays at 9:30 am through the summer. After a lot of discussion both pro and con, motion failed.

Church use by Church Youth group – we were asked by a youth group out of Brainerd, MN if they could spend a night in our building as they are traveling through our area. A motion was made, seconded and passed to allow the youth group from Brainerd to use the lower part of the building as they pass through.

We were going to look into a different insurance company, however after looking into the company it was decided not to change companies at this time.

Meeting was closed with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Johnna Voto