

**Mt. Zion Lutheran Church
Council Meeting Minutes
February 2, 2023 7:00 PM at Mt. Zion**

In attendance: Missy Keller (Pres), Michelle Fegely (VP), Karen Wanamaker (Sec), April Osterstock (Treas), Bill Green, Dan Batz; Jeremiah Heydt, Jean Gaston, Greg Schappell

Absent: Anna Wanamaker

Meeting called to order at: 7:03 p.m.

1. Devotions for 2023:

- February: Bill
- March: April

2. Minutes from Previous Meeting:

Motion by April/Dan to approve January minutes as corrected. Motion approved.

3. Correspondence: Thank you from Veterans Making a Difference for the food drive donations

4. Vicar's Report: Sent in email; reviewed; The Lutheran church in Maxatawny will have a part-time pastor starting, but they asked Vicar to continue visiting shut-ins for the next few months.

5. Treasurer's Report: Highlights

- a. Ordered 150 new chairs for the basement
 - b. Donations to Synod Support and World Hunger
 - c. Money for mower, parking lot repairs, and a storage shed is on hold in savings
 - d. Transferred in money from Memorial funds and MIF checking to cover basement costs
 - e. Organ fund money used for piano and keyboard
 - f. Paid money to Uhrig for work completed - under \$10,000 left outstanding
- Motion by Jean/Greg to approve Treasurer's Report. Motion approved.

6. Committee Reports:

- a. Christian Education (all levels Fegely, Batz, & Dietrich / Wanamaker)
 - CE meeting scheduled for March 6th at 6:30
- b. Evangelism— Not active

- c. Finance Committee – April Osterstock / Greg Schappell - no report. April will be doing deposits for Jean while Jean is away. Jean thanked April for her help.
- d. Fundraising Committee- Janice Clemmer (note taker) / Greg Schappell - no report
- e. Local Shared Outreach – Sharon Billger / Jean Gaston Highlights from the report:
 - Friend Inc. for February: Soups & Stews
 - Jingle Project for Jan-Mar: Blessed Beginnings
 - Family Game night on Feb 17th
 - Souper Bowl Sunday coming up
- f. Mutual Ministry – Dan Batz / Missy Keller- no report
- g. Property – Martin Billger / Greg Schappell - emailed report; Highlights:
 - Door company – still issues with the doors–some need to be touched up and others need to be replaced
 - Floor was also not quite right. They will return to fix gaps and make corrections. They also need to install the cove base.
 - Sink in handicapped bathroom doesn't turn off; needs to be repaired
 - Belfor continues to be very responsive to any problems.
 - Vicar added that Belfor mentioned that they sometimes fund celebrations, and he is talking to them about possibly sponsoring the anniversary celebration meal for the 100th Anniversary party for the church building.
- h. Social Ministry – Janice Clemmer /Jean Gaston- no report
- i. Stewardship – Diane German and Diane Gaumer /Missy Keller -
 - There was no report, but April noted that she paid the bill for the envelopes.
 - Vicar will get envelopes for the recently confirmed students.
- j. Worship and Music – Meeting Jan 31st; emailed report; Highlights:
 - We will join with Friedens Lutheran for some of the Lenten events/suppers/services
 - April: 100th anniversary party will be Sunday, May 21, 2023
 - Need caterer (possibly Belfor), invitations, etc.

- Motion by Jean/Dan to give the planning committee a \$2000 budget to begin planning. Motion approved

Motion by Michelle/Karen to approve committee reports. Motion approved.

7. Old Business

- a. Building:
 - Basement: final stages / see above
 - Fire restoration update: final stages / see above
- b. Emergency/Disaster Planning: on hold
- c. Reviewed Chapters 12&13 from the Constitution; Karen will type up the proposed changes that will need to be voted on by the congregation in October
- d. Policy reviews: on hold until April
- e. Security Cameras: on hold until basement is done completely
- f. Scholarship Fund:
 - Council finalized the application, and April will send it to the appropriate high schools
 - Council will finalize a procedure document at the next meeting
 - The award will be presented in church as well as at the graduation awards ceremonies at the schools

8. New Business

- a. Approval of new members: none
- b. Boy Scouts' use of EIN/tax exemption: problem is being resolved; they are getting their own new number
- c. Date of next meeting: March 9th

9. Motion for Adjournment by Michelle/April. Motion approved. Adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

10. Closing Prayer

Submitted by Karen Wanamaker, Council Secretary

Approved 3/16/2023