

**BETHESDA LUTHERAN CHURCH
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

April 17, 2023

PRESENT: Jeff Molitor (President)	Kate Kurfess	ZOOM (guest):
(absent) Jaye Lill (Vice President)	Sue Rasmussen (Treasurer)	Katherine Dedrick
Rev Heidi Fish	Paul Larmore	
	Judy Rasmussen (rec. sec)	

Meeting called to order by Jeff at 5:05pm
Devotions – Jeff led in devotions & prayer.

Minutes from March 13, 2023 – Minutes were read and approved.

Filling Council Secretary position: Judy will continue to type the minutes and Sue will take notes at the meeting. Discussion was held to consider adding another council member to fill the Secretary spot. The council secretary is a member of the Executive Committee, and the role is to maintain records, keep congregational documents and participate in the council.

TREASURERS REPORT:

- There was a discussion regarding the tally sheet.
- The Promissory Note was ratified by the congregation.
- Proposed budget will be presented to the congregation at the 04/23/23 meeting.
M/S/P to emphasis on the lavender section.

PASTOR'S REPORT:

AVP Workshops: All were cancelled and will be rescheduled. More help & volunteers are needed.

ELCA Dialogue on Race: Will continue starting in May. With Soup supper at 5:30 and discussion at 6:00pm

Reconciling Works update: A "Statement of Welcome" has been written and will be presented to the congregation for approval on April 23 at the congregational meeting.

Pastor's Travel Plans: planning to go to Portland April 24-27. Consider comp time rather than vacation time for Easter week's excess hours.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Constitutional Amendment to be presented to the congregation at the next meeting 4/23/23.
- Visitation Board has not been formalized. The list that pastor hung is still hanging in the church secretary office.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Payback of promissory note was discussed. It will be brought up to the congregation and a decision will be made as to how it should be paid back (50/50 between 2023 / 2024 or in one lump sum).