

BETHESDA LUTHERAN CHURCH
COUNCIL MEETING SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 2024
MINUTES

Our Mission is to proclaim, celebrate, and share the love of Christ with our neighbors through an accepting, caring community.

M/S/P = Moved/Seconded/Passed

Called to order at 12:45 PM

Present: Heidi Fish (Pastor), Jeff Molitor (President), Keith Cottrill (Secretary), Paul Larmore (Vice President), Karen Carroll (at large), Wendel Wettland (at large), Joy Halladay (observer)

Online: N/A

Absent: Jonathan Evans (Treasurer)

Devotions: Jeff

Approve Minutes from March 10, 2024, M/S/P

Pastor's Report: Heidi

- Off weekend of April 28, 2024
- MLT Vision 2044 survey
- AVP workshop scheduled for May 17-18
- Recommend Paul Larmore for office admin role after he rolls of Council in June. The finance committee will meet to discuss details and compensations and send a recommendation to the Council. M/S/P

COMMITTEES:

- Worship and Music: All are invited to a monthly Zoom meeting every last Wednesday at 5 pm.
- Finance Committee: Will meet May 11, 2024 at 11 am.
- Facilities: Still working to fix the window at the rental? Sort of
- BCS: New members, new paperwork, to organize with accountability.
- Committees shall prepare an annual report for the yearly congregational meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Men's Breakfast: Asking for guests to donate \$5 each for breakfast to cover the costs.
- Update WA Secretary of State report to list Treasurer Jonathan Evans as a governor of Bethesda Lutheran Church. Remove Keith Cottrill as check signer due to Jonathan and Keith living in the same household. *Tabled.*
- Research loan options for borrowing against the rental house by Congregational meeting. Need prior two years of financial records plus 2024 to date. The accountant is working on it.
- Presentation to inform the congregation about development went well, with positive feedback from the congregation.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Form nominating committee for council positions (C13.02)
 - 2023-2024: Joan Minnis, Darlene Johnston, Jaye Lill, Paul Larmore (alternate)
 - Need to elect 2024-2025 committee at the December congregational meeting.
- Set agenda for next Congregational Meeting

- Election of new Council Members
- Election of Representatives to Synod Assembly
- Elect delegates for other boards and committees
- Alcohol policy
- Update on development progress (including rental house loan process).
- Update on eminent domain and property appraisal
- Prepare update for the congregation about the development process.
- Discuss contracts and agreements
 - Heidi, Jeff, Paul, and Jonathan will review the contract for the Night Watchman/maintenance resident.
- Alcohol Policy: Maundy Thursday dinner went well. The official policy update is tabled for now.

Action Items:

- Need to elect 2024-2025 committee at the December congregational meeting.
- Committees shall prepare an annual report for the yearly congregational meeting.
- Worship and Music (WAM) Committee invites all to a monthly Zoom meeting every last Wednesday at 5 pm.
- The Finance Committee will meet May 11, 2024, at 11 am.
- The finance committee will meet to discuss details and compensations for the Office Admin role and send a recommendation to the Council.

PLACEHOLDERS Let's not forget:

- Mountlake Terrace Street Widening
- Reinstate Hospitality Committee
- Event Approval Form: Appoint a couple of people to edit wordage.
- Visitation Board: Created?
- AVP
- VBS
- Choir
- Alcohol policy

Next Council meetings:

- May 12, 2024 at 12:00 PM
- June 9, 2024 at 11:30 PM

Next Congregational Meeting:

- June 23, 2024 at 11:45 AM

Volunteer/Assign Devotions:

- May — Heidi
- June — Jonathan

Meeting adjourned: 2:50 PM