

Church Council Meeting Minutes
October 2023

The regular meeting of the church council of Zion Lutheran Church was held October 9, 2023, at 6:30 PM in the social room of the church, the President being in the chair and the Secretary being present. Members present were Pastor Matt Day, Pastor Diane Day, Doug Davis, Alexa Masser, Jeff Derr, Bob Hetrick, Carolyn Milauskas (secretary), Bruce McIntosh, Donna Huffer, Meghan Gunsallus, Bob Rockwell (president), Shelly Gladhill and Deb Reichelt. Absent: Linda Kinna-Engel (vice-president), due to a family emergency. A quorum was met with 12 of 13 members present at the meeting.

2023-10-1 **A motion was made to accept the agenda as presented.** The motion was seconded, and vote was unanimous.

Devotions were led by Pastor Diane Day

2023-10-2 **A motion was made to accept the September Church Council meeting minutes.** The motion was seconded. A voice vote was taken, and vote was unanimous.

The Treasurer's report was received (see enclosed report). A few questions were asked, and Deb answered the questions.

Committee Reports: There was discussion focused on the Property Report and the Chair and other members stepping down from the committee. The discussion was on recruiting new committee members and Chair, and the desired qualities of the Chair and committee members.

Staff Reports: There were no questions.

2023-10-3 **A motion was made at the Executive meeting to present Cindy Unangst to the council to fill the Church Council seat vacated by Leslie Santora.** Voice vote was taken, and vote was unanimous.

Update on walking trail: Update was given, from the council members who had attended the informational meeting. They reported the church property would not be impacted by the trail. The trail is in a feasibility study and ground would not break for five years if construction proceeds. (See attached map)

2023-10-4 **A motion was made to accept the budget recommendations of the finance committee.** The motion was not seconded so the motion died.

2023-10-5 **A motion was made to table the vote on the budget by the council until November's meeting.** After a discussion a voice vote was taken and the voice vote was 11 ayes, and 1 nay. The ayes won the vote.

2023-10-6 **A motion was made to create a task force to come up with ideas on how to generate income through fundraising.** After discussion a voice vote was taken, and the voice vote was unanimous.

2023-10-7 Nominating committee: The four Church council members whose terms will expire have agreed to serve on the nominating committee, and Gary Scott and Gene Applebee will be asked to also serve on the committee. **A motion was made to appoint Council candidates and the council instructed the committee to seek members who have skills in: leadership, administration, finance, planning, and who are: faithful, prayerful, creative, and who will: humbly seek and follow God's will for Zion. Take up the cross and follow Christ.** A voice vote was taken, and the vote was 11 ayes and 1 nay.

Set Congregation and Town Hall meeting dates: The congregation meeting will be held on January 28, 2024, with a snow date of February 4, 2024. The Town Hall meetings will be held on January 21, 2024, at 10 AM and January 24, 2024, time to be determined.

Golf outing: The Golf outing will be turned over to the task force to discuss as a possible fundraiser.

2023-10-8 **A motion was made to update the Live Stream with the donation by Edward Musser, and the remaining balance to be funded by donations and not church funds.** After discussion a voice vote was taken, and the voice vote was unanimous.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 with the Lord's prayer.

Carolyn Milauskas Council Secretary