## **Church Council Meeting Minutes**

The regular meeting of the church council of Zion Lutheran Church was held January 8, 2024, 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 Donna Huffer, Meghan Gunsallus, Pastor Diane, Doug Davis, Bob Hetrick, Bruce McIntosh, Jeff Derr, Carolyn Milauskas, (secretary) Bob Rockwell, (president) Linda Kinna-Engel, (vice president) Deb Reichelt, Cindy Unangst, Pastor Matt and Alexa Masser. Absent Shelly Gladhill. A quorum was met with 12 of 13 members present at the meeting. Ann Pond was present as a guest.

Devotions were led by Doug Davis.

2024-1-1 Motion was made to accept the agenda with two items added to the agenda. The motion was seconded, and a voice vote was taken, and the vote was unanimous.

2024-1-2 **A motion was made to accept the December Church Council meeting minutes.** The motion was seconded, and a voice vote was taken, and the vote was unanimous.

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

Staff reports: No questions

Nominating Committee: The committee reported the obstacles they faced when contacting the nominees for Church council and suggested possible solutions. It was decided this would be discussed at the council retreat.

Annual Meeting Presentation: Ann Pond was present to go over the slides she had put together for the Middletown Valley Food Bank presentation for the Town Halls and annual congregation meeting. Suggestions were made to add to the presentation. The Church council went over the slides for Town Halls and annual congregation meeting. Suggestions were made.

Audit: Questions were asked and answer concerning the internal audit and external audit.

Officers: The pastors asked if it was okay to forego having a special church council meeting to elect officers for the next term following the annual congregation meeting. The rationale given was that new council members do not know current council members and to instead elect officers at the next council meeting.