

St Paul's Church Council

Meeting Minutes

February 9, 2021

Call to order: The regular meeting of the St. Paul's Church council was called to order by President Eric Myers at 6:30 pm via Zoom.

A. Attendance:

Present:

Amy Burkett
Dan Farrar (non-voting)
Don Gray
Greg Klein
Patty Long
Eric Myers
Tracie Schmolt
John Stanko

Absent:

Deidra Monastra
Barb Palmer
Marilyn Perkowski
Carol Stoner
Dave Stoner

Staff Present: Rev Mark Kreemer

- I. The meeting was opened with prayer by Pastor Kreemer
- II. Read and approved minutes of previous meeting: approved as written
- III. **Pastor's Report:**
Ash Wednesday there will be a drive through for ashes from 10-noon and a 7pm livestream service. Palm crosses have been ordered for Palm Sunday. Community Lenten services livestreamed. Thursday morning Bible study is Sermon on the Mount, the next one will focus on the Old Testament. HEPA Filters should be installed in the sanctuary this week.
- IV. **Treasurer's Report:**
A written preliminary Income and Expense Summary Report for January 2021 was submitted. Income of \$31,068 expense of \$25,826 MTD surplus \$5,242 and FYTD deficit of \$4,477 was presented.

Committee Reports:

Evangelism- No report.

Mission Endowment- Don Gray made a motion to donate \$5,000 from the Mission Endowment fund to the ELCA for the 40 days of giving. John Stanko seconded. Motion passed.

Parish Fellowship – No report.

Property Management – Written report submitted. Coon will be coming in to update maintenance needs. SE Johnson is complete with their work. UV system still not in, still no timeline. HEPA filters should be in this week.

Looking into an Ionization system in case the UV system isn't an option. The heat was restored to the Education building today. The fire department will be using the building on 3/6/21 for City Fire Chief testing. John Stanko made a motion to purchase and install a 43 inch smart tv in the Narthex (for the welcome center) costing \$1,505. Greg Klein seconded. Motion passed. Money should come from the Evangelism budget. John Stanko made a motion to purchase and install a second camera for the livestream costing \$2,639. Amy Burkett seconded. Motion passed.

Technology – No report.

Finance – No report.

Welfare and Social Action –No report.

Scholarship Committee- No report.

Worship and Church Music – Written report. Organ pipes should be back by the middle of February. No action for Council.

Youth and Parish Education – Will be meeting once a month with the older youth in person. March will be ice skating and April will be Glazed and Amused. There will be no ride sharing and everyone will be wearing masks. Wow and Sunday school will continue to be livestreamed through June. Two have signed up for the virtual Youth Quake.

V. Unfinished Business –

The nominating committee needs candidates for the nominating committee as well as the 2020-2021 Synod Assembly needs nominees.

Covid Guidelines- If HEPA filters are installed in-person worship will resume on 2/21/21. If Stark County returns to purple we will return to livestream only services. Also, if the cases rise to 5,000-6,000 a day.

Amy Burkett made a motion to modify the covid guidelines for in-person worship pending the installation of the HEPA filters in the sanctuary and maintaining the rest of our guidelines and the guidelines the state puts forth, unless marked increase in cases. Greg Klein seconded. Motion passed.

VI. New Business –

Anna didn't take vacation in 2020. She requested to carry over 5 days into 2021.

Greg Klein made a motion to change Anna's hours to 8-2:30 Monday through Thursday and 8-12 Friday with 2 hours of flex time. To be reviewed at the end of this fiscal year (June 30, 2021). Patty Long seconded. Motion passed.

VII. Correspondence – None

VIII. Next Meeting: March, 9 2021 at 6:30pm via Zoom

Motion to adjourn by all. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm. Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Minutes prepared by Tracie Schmolt, Secretary.