

Mt. View Lutheran Church Council Meeting Tuesday,
February 15, 2022 6:30pm
MVLC Library

Council Meeting Minutes

Attendance

Present: Bob Linden, Bob Yost, Skip Harrison, Karen Hansen, Gerry Philipsen, Gretchen Johnsrud, Pastor Bri, Carol Powers , Jason Cornell - Treasurer
On Zoom: Emily Thompson

Absent: Ken Swanson

Meeting Called to Order

President Bob Linden called the meeting to order.

Devotion

Skip Harrison led the council in a time of devotion based on the hymn "It is Well with my Soul".

Approval of Minutes

It was M/S/P to approve the minutes of the Tuesday Jan. 18th, 2022, meeting of the MVLC Church Council

Submitted written reports

It was M/S/P to accept written reports for Tuesday Feb. 15th 2022, that were submitted from the following individuals and ministry groups, including some of these highlights:

TREASURER'S REPORT, submitted by Jason Cornell.

An in-person update on the current financial status of the congregation

PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Submitted by Bob Linden

- Administrator Job Description and Posting on hold

- Nominating Committee-has initiated its work of finding 2022-2023 leadership candidates
- Mt. View Constitution Update - Jim Hushagen researching necessary State provisions
- Pastor Eric Updates- Call; Arrival; Service; Installation

PROPERTY REPORT - Submitted by Gretchen Johnsrud and Dan Neptun

- Bids for landscaping maintenance will be submitted in the next week
- Honey Doers will trim the canopy of the large oak
- Parking lot holes will be repaired soon. However, entire parking lot will need to be replaced at some time and require significant funds

FRIENDS IN FAITH - Submitted by Karen Hansen

- New fellowship groups have been established
 - First Fridays
 - Pickle Ball
 - Crafts and Conversation
- Still working on more opportunities
 - Hiking
 - RVing

PASTOR BRI

- **Family Engagement:** It has been a challenging time for Children, Youth and Family ministry given that many factors continue to affect family participation such as ongoing Covid concerns and changed rhythms from the pandemic.
- **New Member Class:** We have a class of 13 new members, including 2 young children.
- **National Youth Gathering Cancellation**
- **VBS Planning:** A Planning Team met initially to discuss how to plan for VBS with the ongoing reality of Covid and increased safety precautions.

COUNCIL ACTIONS ITEMS

The following action items were discussed

- Pastor Eric's Housing Allowance Request

It was M/S/P to approve a housing allowance of \$22,000 per year, for the current year, and future years, from his regular compensation plus any year-end bonuses for Pastor Eric Bostrom

- The removal of the birch tree next to the Chapel

It was M/S/P to approve using property funds of \$1000 (plus tax) for the removal of the tree and clean up.

- Request from Pastor Bri for Council to consider making a payment from the Mt. View Seminary Fund towards her student loan.

The Council discussed Pastor's Bri's request and decided to extend its discussion to its next scheduled meeting on March 15, 2022.

Closing Prayer

Bob Linden closed the Council Meeting with prayer

Respectfully submitted,

Gretchen Johnsrud
Council Secretary