

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH, Traverse City, Michigan

“We journey with God to serve with love”

Council Minutes: 9/17/24

Call to Order: President, Cindy Monroe called the meeting to order at 6:32pm

Opening Prayer or Devotion: Paul Wiemerslage

Quorum Call: President Cindy Monroe, Vice President Gail Goldsmith, Financial Secretary Jim Monroe, Secretary Paul Wiemerslage, Treasurer Gary Ancinec, Jana Rockne, Pastor Paul Busekist, Peggy Burns, Denice Bossardet, Maureen Bauer, Scott Farley. Excused: Tina Dohm

Approval of the Minutes from the August 20,2024 meeting: Moved and approved.

Visitor Comments: Doug Cunningham discussed current problem with sanctuary air handler and asked for volunteer to come over to BLC this Saturday night to turn on the air handler (HVAC) so that it would be working for Sunday morning service. Air handler not currently working properly resulting in costly and unnecessary energy use. Peggy Burns volunteered. Three others have been instructed but will be out of town this weekend.

Reports:

Pastor’s report, Treasurer’s report, and financial Secretary report: Please see written reports for detail.

Committee Reports to Be Filed:

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| A. Christian Care | E. Personnel | I. Lower Level |
| B. Christian Education/Youth | F. Property | J. Safety/security |
| C. Fellowship | G. Stewardship | |
| D. Membership and Evangelism | H. Worship and Music | |

URGENT BUSINESS:

- A. Motion: Gary moves that upon submission of the resignation of Gary Ancinec due to leaving the area, Dave Pepler will be appointed to a non-voting position of treasurer including check-signing authority and with the position running until elections in June 2025. Motion carried.
- B. Motion: Gary moves that upon submission of the resignation of Gary Ancinec due to leaving the area Doug Cunningham will be appointed to a voting position of council representing property with the position running until elections in June 2025. Motion carried.
- C. Date of annual budget meeting set for January 5. Bad weather date will be Jan 12.
- D. Motion: Gary moves to roll Visioning/Social Ministry funds (roughly \$25,000) into another 7-month CD. Motion carried.
- E. Motion: Gary moves to roll “sequestered cash” (\$26,273) into another 7-month CD. Motion carried.

New Business:

- A. Date for Vision Team/congregation meetings: Oct. 6, 20 and, Nov. 17. Reminder to sign up to attend.
- B. Dates for Stewardship campaign: September 29 - 1st Temple Talk. October 7 or 14 - Letters Sent. October 13 – 2nd Temple Talk. November 3 and 10 Pledges.

- C. Replacement/repair of cement in front entry (many uneven/broken areas). First estimate: \$16,000. Will seek a second opinion.

Old Business:

- A. 2-year goal of revision of BLC constitution (Paul W). Ongoing. Anticipated initial review of council at October council meeting.
- B. Update on provision of IT services for BLC. Ongoing.
- C. Update on lower-level predicted costs.
- D. Temperature Control found a way to shut down the fan that was running non-stop in the sanctuary. More can be taught as we await all necessary components for an updated wifi heating control system.

Members' Comments:

Lord's Prayer: said by all

Adjournment: Adjourned at 7:55pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Paul Wiemerslage