

**ST. MARK LUTHERAN CHURCH
JANUARY 11, 2018 COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES**

PRESENT: Pastor Tim Ness, President Steve Talley, Vice-President Fran Cosentino, Treasurer Marjorie Miller, Council members, Joanne Margetich, Cheryl Baylor, Greg Whitton, Michelle Giangiulio, Carol Cesari, Justin Bainum, Edie Beaupre and Bonnie Tillman

Pastor Tim opened the meeting with prayer at 7:10 p.m.

COMMITTEE / MINISTRY REPORTS:

PROPERTY: The oil lines froze costing \$1600 to correct. 2 electric heaters were placed on the lines to prevent this from happening again. Once the ground thaws, the lines buried in the ground will be dug up and wrapped with insulation. Discussed heating the shed and adding a "tiger loop" which heats the oil before it enters the pipes. Also discussed converting to gas since the church already has gas lines run. We've been invoiced for the first snow removal but not the second one yet. In the process of switching the light bulbs to LED's and replacing all the smoke detectors.

KIDS CLOSET: Joanne Margetich reported income for December was \$254.00 which was good considering they were only open for two or three days in December. Total income for the year was \$4230.57

YOUTH: There is a meeting scheduled for Sunday 1/14. Harvey Cedars is scheduled from March 2nd to the 4th and is open to all students in grades 6 to 12. Cost is \$175.00 per person and registration is due by 1/21.

STEWARDSHIP: Nothing to report.

WORSHIP / MUSIC: Christmas Eve service was well attended. 101 attended the first service.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Back on the normal curriculum after the Holiday

TREASURERS REPORT: A copy of the treasurers' report is attached.

PASTOR'S REPORT: A copy of Pastor's report is attached.

Greg Whitton made a motion to accept the committee / ministry reports as presented. This was seconded by Justin Bainum.

OLD BUSINESS:

Bingo –The next Bingo meeting to discuss what needs to be done for the Bingo night on 4/21 will be held sometime in February.

NEW BUSINESS:

Breakfast with the Easter Bunny will be held again this year since it was so successful last year. It is scheduled for Saturday, March 24.

Pastor and Marjorie Miller both interviewed and recommend that we offer Alice Kaplan the position of Administrative Assistant. Council reviewed her resume and clarified some questions. Justin Bainum made a motion to accept, this was seconded by Cheryl Baylor and approved by the rest of council to present an offer of employment to Alice.

Reviewed a request from a mother of one of our students who is interested in renting the hall for an adult dance fit class on Monday and Wednesday from 6 to 7 in the evening and Saturday or Sunday (time to be determined). Anticipate 10 people max, has liability insurance already and she charges \$15.00 per class. Council determined to offer her the use of the hall at \$30.00 a week.

Reviewed the proposed budget for next year. No changes suggested. Joanne Margetich made the motion to accept the budget as presented and this was seconded by Cheryl Baylor. Council approved budget as shown. Must now wait for approval from congregation.

It was suggested to have Pastors' salary changed to calendar year which would make budgeting easier. However, this would need to be approved by the congregation prior to the annual meeting and it's really up to the Mutual Ministry committee.

Council reviewed the leases which are up for renewal for the house and the garage. Greg Whitton made the motion that no increase should be made to either property. This was seconded by Joanne Margetich and council approved.

The next council meeting is scheduled for 1/28, immediately following the annual congregational meeting.

Meeting closed with the Lords' Prayer at 8:45

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Tillman
Council Secretary

Minutes amended with recommended changes to punctuation made by Edie Beaupre.

Greg Whitton motioned to accept the minutes as shown. This was seconded by Justin Bainum.
Minutes approved.