

**First Lutheran Church
Council Meeting Minutes**

October 12, 2023

Present: Mary Sopkowiak, Joyce Washburn, Sue Smith,
Karen Hanson, Phyllis Paulsen, Jim Frohreich, Calista Wolf and Jon Hanson.

Vice President Jon Hanson called the meeting to order at 7 PM.

Devotions – Calista said the advent theme this year is “A Weary World Rejoices” – she read some from the piece she also had at Parish Council meeting.

Approval of the Agenda – Motion was made by Mary S., seconded by Karen H., to approve the agenda.

Approval of Minutes Motion by Karen H. seconded by Phyllis P. to approve the Sept. minutes. MC

Parish Council Update- Calista went through her list of activities. She said she is also, now, on the committee for the County Welcoming Committee.

Financial report: Treasurers report – Mary went through her report.

Financial secretary’s report – Bertel was not present but left a report. A motion was made by Phyllis P., seconded by Jim F. to approve these reports. MC

Old Business:

Soul Food for Nov. 8th is being taken care of by some of the First Lutheran council members.

New Business

- a. Trunk or Treat – is from 4 – 6 PM on Oct. 31st.
- b. Wabanica and First Christmas Programs will be Dec. 17th - Judy Gubbels is helping with the one at First.
- c. A donation for Community Thanksgiving Meal was discussed. No donation in the past from First was on record.

Committee Reports

Education – Phyllis said that Soul Food is being held now. No Sunday School at First.

Property – Jim Frohreich – said he would be in tomorrow to check furnace filters – shut off AC units – put up the AED box – will stop and talk to John Dodds to see if he heard from the shingle people.

Worship and Music - Joyce Washburn – said that church choir will be held, now, on Wed. evenings at 6:30 PM.

FLCW - Karen Hanson – said next year the rummage sale will be only First Lutheran members donations – also the church cleaning will also be a one-day event for everyone to come and help clean, as it went well this year. -The Scandinavian Bake Sale will be held on Nov. 18th– We will start asking for helpers and that will depend on how much we order for lefse supplies.

Next Council meeting will be November 14, 2023, at 7 PM

The Beacon Newsletter is due by Oct. 19, 2023.

A motion was made by Mary S., seconded by Karen H., to adjourn this meeting. MC

We closed with the Lord’s Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted
Susan Smith. Sec.