

Wabanica Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes for March 12, 2024

Present: Roger Erickson, Gloriann Fischer, Ken Horntvedt, Leah Larson, Doris Nelson, Shelley Pepera, Brian Peterson and Shelley Spears.

Roger called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

Approval of Agenda: 'Cemetery Policies' will be added to upcoming meeting agendas in the Committee Report section. Motion by Gloriann, second by Leah, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Secretary's Report: February 2024 Minutes correction needed naming March 12, 2024 as the next meeting date (rather than March 13th) Motion by Gloriann, second by Doris, to accept the February 2024 Minutes. Motion carried.

Financial Reports: A payment for piano tuning prompted a discussion related to Sunday Worship sound. All were in agreement the sound in the back of the church is satisfactory with the new piano location. If needed, a sound bar may be helpful to have the tv monitor sound reach the back of the church. Motion by Brian, second by Shelley Spears, to accept the reports. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

- A. Building and Grounds: Ken gave an update regarding outside improvements – leaf guards will be installed, Ken will get a quote for gutters to be installed on the west side of the church, window well covers are needed, two fans have been purchased and paid from the building fund, countertops are on order and two new picnic tables will be added. Gloriann suggested we consider adding a memorial plaque for the tables to honor the donor. No action requested but progress is being made.
- B. Education: Leah gave an update on the progress made cleaning the two Sunday School rooms. Additional education and craft supplies stored in the basement closet will be moved to the upstairs Sunday School rooms. Once this is done, the basement closet will be available to store hospitality supplies.
- C. Endowment: No update

Old Business

- A. West side gutters/leaf guards: Refer to committee report.
- B. Non-profit Compliance: No update provided.
- C. Calista's Sign/Schedule: Rex Muggli will notify us when this is completed.

New Business

- A. Synod Assembly Delegates: Ken will ask Jody if she is interested in attending this year's in person session at Concordia.
- B. Coat Rack for Kitchen: On hold until after storage room behind kitchen is cleaned out.
- C. Library Shelves: On hold until the project of organizing and relocating Sunday School supplies is completed.
- D. Selection of 2024 Pizza Fundraiser Recipients: The church sponsors six pizza nights with a free will offering as a donation to help local organizations each year. The committee chose Red River Valley Hospice, L/W School Backpack Program and Hunter Nordlof Be Kind Foundation as recipients of the April, May and June events. The recipients for the July, August and September events will be named at our next council meeting. During the weeks of April 15 – May 15 a special offering request will be announced each week during Sunday Worship as a donation to Take A Kid Fishing rather than a pizza night donation. Motion by Gloriann, second by Shelley Spears to approve this plan. Motion carried.
- E. Church Bell: The platform base has weathered and needs to be reconstructed. Eugene M will be asked to work on this project.

Announcements and Correspondence:

- The *Beacon* deadline is March 21, 2024. Next council meeting is April 9th at appx 6:30 p.m. at First Lutheran.

Motion by Roger, second by Leah, to adjourn. Motion carried and meeting closed with The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Shelley Pepera, Secretary