

**First Lutheran Church
Council Meeting Minutes**

November 12, 2024

Present: Sue Smith, Karen Hanson, Mark & Joyce Washburn, Bertel Anundson, Judy Humeniuk., Phyllis Paulsen and Linda Bauers

President – Linda called the meeting to order.

Approval of the Agenda – Motion was made by Sue S. seconded by Karen H., to approve the agenda with addition of C. in New Business, brought up by Calista MC

Approval of Minutes Motion by Bertel A. seconded by Judy H. to approve the October minutes. MC

Parish Council Update – Linda reported the Parish agreement has been gone over and all are to look at it and the parish will look any change, then it will go back to each congregation and to the annual meeting.

Dec. 4th is an Advent dinner at the church and First Lutheran will serve this one. Wabanica will serve the 11th and Clementson will serve the 18th. All will be held at First. This will be with the confirmation kids and with a craft time also. January 2025 is our annual meeting. All are to be getting their reports in.

Parish will be meeting to do the Parish budget and will get percentages for each church.

Financial report: Mark discussed the financials and we seem to be doing okay for now.

Financial secretary's report –Bertel gave his report and talked about the insurance for the church and voiced a concern that we should be looking into whether we are overinsured. A motion to accept these reports was made by Judy H. seconded by Phyllis P. to approve these reports. MC

Old Business:

- a. Interior lighting – Judy talked to Jim F. and he talked to Kevin Holen to take care of the lights in the Narthex. Kevin will look at the Fellowship Hall and get us an estimate on what to do for lights there too.

New Business:

- a. Officers for 2025 – 2027 were discussed. We need a president and financial secretary. Linda has talked to Eileen C. and she will think about taking the financial secretary position. The President role is still going to be open.
- b. Budget – discussed doing after the Parish budget meeting.
- c. Education walls and rooms – much discussion was held on this and Linda said she will call a property board meeting to discuss this.

Committee Reports:

Education – Phyllis said the Christmas program will be Dec. 15, 2024

Property - Items were talked about in new business

Worship and Music – Joyce said she would like many to come out and help sing in the parade on Nov. 23. We will be caroling on Dec. 8th with a similar time schedule, as in the past- Blue Christmas is Dec. 21 at First Luth. - Christmas Eve Service will be at 5 PM on Dec. 24th She said she will talk to the Guenins to see if they could bring special music.

FLCW - Karen said the Bake Sale and Lefse making is this coming Saturday, and Sunday, Dec. 1st will be the ladies Christmas Party.

Next council meeting will be Dec. 10, 2024 after Parish Council meeting.

Beacon deadline – Nov. 21, 2024

Motion was made by Phyllis P. seconded by Joyce W. to adjourn. We closed with the Lord's Prayer

Secretary, Sue Smith