

## Wabanica Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes for December 10, 2024

**Present:** Roger Erickson, Ken Horntvedt, Leah Larson, Doris Nelson, and Shelley Spears.

Roger Erickson called the meeting to order at 6:58 p.m.

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion by Ken Horntvedt to accept December 10, 2024 meeting agenda, Second by Roger Erickson. Motion carried.

**Secretary's Report:** Council members read last month's meeting minutes. Motion by Doris Nelson to accept November 12, 2024 Wabanica Council Meeting Minutes, Second by Ken Horntvedt. Motion carried.

**Financial Reports:** Council members reviewed and discussed reported income and expenses. Motion by Roger Erickson to accept November Financial Reports, Second by Shelley Spears. Motion carried.

**Committee Reports:** No updates provided

- Building and Grounds
- Endowment
- Congregational Life Committee Report
- Education
- Cemetery Policies

### Old Business:

- Treasurer Laptop: Ken reports a laptop has been ordered for the duties of the Wabanica Treasurer.
- Wabanica Council Assignments: Ongoing discussion for next year's council assignments and expected vacancies.
- Outdoor Pizza Night Donation Recipients: Last month Brian Peterson offered to research and create a historical list of past recipients from the outdoor pizza events. This report will be reviewed at the next meeting. Discussed ideas to design a system/process for choosing recipients with a goal to have this finalized by March/April 2025.
- Santa Anonymous: Motion by Ken Horntvedt to donate \$800 to Lake of the Woods Santa Anonymous, Second by Leah Larson. The \$800 donation will be partially funded by the accrued weekly special offerings collected through 12/15/24. Motion carried.
- Wabanica Church Office and Nursery: Leah reports the plan to start this makeover will begin in January 2025.

### New Business:

- Ken reports an anonymous \$10,000 donation was received to help fund upcoming youth and building expenses. Motion by Ken Horntvedt to create a separate 'Youth Fund' savings account to manage the \$5,000 portion of this donation to be used for camps, retreats and gatherings attended by our church youth. These funds are in the general fund and will be transferred to the new account. The remaining \$5,000 portion will be assigned to the Building Fund. Second by Doris Nelson. Motion carried.
- Church Clean-Up Event: A spring church cleaning event is being planned and may include a pot luck for all who attend and help.
- Email Account: A suggestion was presented to create a Wabanica email account.
- Wabanica's percentage of the Parish budget for 2025 will be 45%.

### Announcements and Correspondence:

- The *Beacon* deadline is December 19, 2024.
- Next council meeting is January 14, 2025, at appx 6:45 p.m. at First Lutheran.

Motion by Doris Nelson, Second by Leah Larson to adjourn. Motion carried and meeting closed with The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Shelley Spears and Shelley Pepera, Wabanica Council Secretary