

**Baudette Lutheran Parish Council Minutes
January 20, 2026**

Present: Ken Horntvedt, Sarah Pierson, Calista Wolf, Gary Swenson, Shelley Spears, Gary Hasbargen, Eileen Cordroy, Mark Wasburn, Shelley Pepera, Brian Peterson, Kay Schell

Call to Order: President Gary Swenson called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM.

Approval of Agenda: Motion made by Ken to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Gary. MC

Devotions were led by Calista.

Secretary's Report: The minutes from January were presented. Motion made by Eileen to approve the minutes, seconded by Gary. MC

Financial Report: The financial reports for January, February and March were presented and discussed. Motion made by Ken to accept the financials, seconded by Brian. MC

SAM Report: Confirmation was wrapped up with "Confirmation Olympics". Lent Wednesday services have been going. Calista did Ash Wednesday and brought ashes around all of CHI. She has been doing premarital counseling for two weddings in the summer. She is starting new classes. She did care center worship and spa day and had all the meetings where she is the "faith representative".

Old Business:

- A. Jody Printing Proposal** - Jody currently has some printing options with the Crookston Campus. If this is not available, she can print at the church, keep track of the billing and submit for reimbursement.
- B. Christmas Dinner Offerings** - Calista has cash from the free will offering. Eileen made a motion to put the Christmas dinner offering to VBS, seconded by Brian. MC
- C. 2026 Lent Schedule: We are Stories and Stardust** - We have been having 30-40 people on Wednesday nights. The food is good and the conversation is great!
- D. Great Synod Get Together** - The registration link has been provided - it is \$50 per person. Let Calista know if you register. Registration is due by March 12.

New Business:

- A. Chamber Membership** - The city is trying to get the Baudette Chamber of Commerce going again. Everyone can sign up to be a member. The fee is \$125 for the year for a non-profit organization to be part of it. Ken made a motion for Baudette Lutheran Parish to join the chamber, seconded by Brian. MC
- B. Membership Lists** - In the individual council packets there is a list of people who have not been to any event in the last year. For Clementson and First, inactive members need a phone call after the first year and go on the inactive member list after two years. Please look through this and make a check in.
- C. Baptism Lists/Cards** - Not everything transferred when computers were switched. Joyce is updating baptism lists - the goal is to use this as a check in and celebrate the baptism anniversaries!

Next Meeting: Monday, May 11, 2026

Beacon Deadline: March 20, 2026

Meeting ended at 6:36 PM. Mark made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Eileen. MC

Closed with the Lord's Prayer

Dates to Note:

March 21 - Great Synod Get Together in Bemidji

April 2 - Maundy Thursday 6pm at Wabanica

April 3 - Good Friday 12pm at First/6pm at Clementson

April 5 - Easter Sunday - Calista at all 3

April 16 - Calista at Joint Theological in Moorhead

May 30 - Virtual Synod Assembly

June 21 - Joint Worship at First

Week of June 22 - VBS with Pathways

Calista's worship schedule was presented through the end of June.

Submitted by Sarah Pierson