

Wabanica Lutheran Church Council Minutes
March 9, 2026

Present: Ken Horntvedt, Sarah Pierson, Brian Peterson, Shelley Spears, Shelley Pepera, Calista Wolf, Jerry Reierson

Call to Order: Brian called the meeting to order at 7:03PM.

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

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

Financial Report: The financial reports for January and February were presented and discussed. An additional column will be added next meeting with the budgeted amount so we can compare the amount spent to date. Monthly reports will still be prepared and presented so the council will view two months at a time. We now have a debit card for the general fund. Shelley is looking into making sure our tax exempt status is all up to date and set. Motion made by Jerry to accept the financials, seconded by Shelley S. MC

Committee Reports:

- **Buildings & Grounds/Groundskeepers:** Shelley has an updated form for reporting hours.
- **Education:** Confirmation is going really well. We will look into materials for some more Sunday school lessons.
- Some discussion about baccalaureate.
- **Endowment Quarterly Report:** will come up later
- **Congregational Life:** none at this time
- **Cemetery Policies:** none at this time

Old Business:

- A. **Quilter Floor** - The flooring is at the church. Jerry is looking to schedule the flooring installation.

New Business:

- A. **Youth Endowment** - Brian gave an update. We have all the names right and the application is ready. The minimum is \$25,000. However, we have a larger endowment that would cover us and allow us to have another one. There are some stipulations on withdrawals if the endowment is under \$25,000. The other two endowments are linked to the general fund. It would make sense to have this endowment also linked to the general fund as well. Shelley S made a motion to close the Youth Savings Account and move the money to the general fund which will then be used to open the Youth Endowment Account, seconded by Shelley P. MC
- B. **Pizza Night Recipients** - Council members will vote on recipients this year. Shelley will send an email.
- C. **T & T Surveys** - Hard copies are at the church. We will start sorting through these and compiling a list to start getting things more organized.

Announcements & Correspondence: Thank you note from the Synod for Giving Hearts Day. We also had a note about the synod assembly (May 30).

Next Meeting: Monday May 11, 2026

Beacon Deadline: March 20, 2026

Adjournment: Shelley S. made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Shelley P. The meeting adjourned.

Closed with the Lord's Prayer Submitted by Sarah Pierson