

Wabanica Lutheran Church Council Minutes
May 11, 2026

Present: Brian Peterson, Ken Horntvedt, Shelley Spears, Leah Larson, Shelley Pepera

Call to Order: Brian called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

Approval of Agenda: Motion made by Shelley S. to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Leah. MC

Secretary's Report: The minutes from March were presented. Motion made by Shelley S. to approve the minutes, seconded by Ken. MC

Financial Report: The financial reports for March and April were presented and discussed. Motion made by Leah to accept the financials, seconded by Shelley S. MC

Committee Reports:

- **Buildings & Grounds/Groundskeepers:** Ken will get bids to seal coat the church parking lot. Ken presented a quote to replace the boiler at church with a recommendation to pay for the purchase from memorial funds. All were in agreement to proceed with appreciation to those who donated funds to help pay for church repairs.
- **Education:** Successful year, thank you to all who helped teach Sunday School this past year.
- **Endowment Quarterly Report:** Quarterly statements were reviewed. Ken and Brian presented a list of five recommendations from the Endowment Committee to revise the endowment policy. Leah made a motion to approve all five recommendations, seconded by Shelley S. MC
- **Congregational Life:** no report at this time
- **Cemetery Policies:** Members are needed to help clean up the sticks on the grounds
- **Congregation Member Records:** Calista reports church membership and baptismal records are actively being updated and is pleased with the progress. All council members were in favor of adding this topic to upcoming meeting agendas to maintain continued progress.

Old Business:

- A. **Tax Exempt status (& credit card)** - Shelly P will update progress at the next meeting
- B. **Youth Endowment** - Youth savings endowment is now formally established
- C. **Baccalaureate** - No Baccalaureate service this year, individual churches are honoring graduates
- D. **Pizza Committee** - April pizza night donations were \$925 with a total of 57 pizzas served. Discussed duties and role of a pizza committee with approximately 5 members needed to serve on this committee. Brian will help form the committee.

New Business:

- A. **Cleaning List** - Discussion postponed until next council meeting
- B. **Facility Use** - Approved a request from the Johnson family to hold a celebration of life at Wabanica the afternoon of June 13th in memory of Becky Johnson. A refundable damage deposit will be requested. The council recommends a facility use form to be designed for future event requests at Wabanica Church (other than weddings and funerals) which will include a refundable damage deposit request. Shelley P will work on designing a form.
- C. **Scholarship** - Discussion postponed until next council meeting.
- D. **Entryway Rug** - Ken will research costs to replace the entryway rug.

Announcements & Correspondence: Acknowledged thank you cards.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, July 14, 2026

Beacon Deadline: May 15, 2026

Adjournment: Leah made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ken. The meeting adjourned.

Closed with the Lord's Prayer Submitted by Sarah Pierson