

IMMANUEL-TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Council Meeting Minutes

June 13, 2017

6:30 p.m.

Attendance: Bob Greenwood, Scott Roltgen, Marie Scannell, June Bahr, Dave Draves, Candy Roth, Lori Jurgensmier, Amy Bertram, Pastor Tom Meyer, Pastor Sue Sheffer-Meyer, Aric Hamburg, Shar Krueger-Raube

Absent: Travis Moser, Gary Dilling, Tim Baumhardt

1. Opening prayer-Pastor Tom Meyer
2. Member Concerns - Paula Draves. Paula brought to attention opinions about sexuality that were written and printed by certain groups within the church body. Discussion about how the ELCA Social Statements are approved through the ELCA. Discussion on presenting the existing ELCA Social Statements to the congregation at future congregational meetings.
3. Approval of May 9, 2017 minutes. Approved with correction of Amy Bertram and Lori Jurgensmier being removed from minutes as being in attendance. MSC
4. Approval of May 9, 2017 closed session minutes. Approved with changed date of May 9, 2017. MSC
5. Closed Session: 7:16 pm MSC
6. Open Session: 7:25 pm MSC
7. OLD BUSINESS:
  - Update: Purchase of flat screen TV for cart. Has been purchased.
8. NEW BUSINESS:
  - Pastors reports
    - Motion made to accept Pastor's reports and to put on file. MSC
  - Financial Secretary & Treasurer's report:
    - Motion made to accept Financial Secretary and Treasurer's reports for April and May 2017. MSC
    - Motion to accept NEBAT's increase to \$10,000 total credit limit for church credit cards. Individual limits of \$5,000 for Stephanie Korb's youth card, \$4,000 for Pastor Tom Meyer's card, and \$1,000 each for Pastor Sue Sheffer-Meyer, Elizabeth Reinbold, Stephanie Korb and Madelynn Knoespel. MSC
  - Update: New accounting software-Church Management Solutions software from Simple Church: The staff is in transition with the new software. Goal is to be up and running with the new software in early July.
  - Discuss and authorize accounts for new system

- Motion made to have the financial transition team make account recommendations for the new accounting system and email the recommendations to council members for approval. MSC
- Authorize Amazon Prime account for church office Amazon account:
  - Motion made to have the staff upgrade the Administrator's Amazon account by purchasing an Amazon Prime account for that account, with the associated annual fee, and deactivate the other church administrator Amazon Accounts. MSC
- Removing members- A list of those people who have been inactive within the church was given to council for review. The people on the list will be sent a letter that they will be removed from the church membership rolls.
  - Motion to have the list of people (see attached) removed from the church membership rolls. Letter will state that they will be removed and that they also have the option to be reinstated with the church.
- Education fundraisers
  - Motion to have youth group sell butter braids on October 4<sup>th</sup> and sell pizzas on January 6th. MSC
- Building & Grounds
  - Motion made to have a memorial tree for Melonie Rice planted on the church grounds. A thank you note will also will be sent to the family. MSC
  - Motion made to have buildings and grounds committee buy three cigarette butt containers, one at each door. MSC

## 9. OTHER

- Motion made to allow a baby shower on Saturday July 22 at the church. Request was made by Julie Dilling. MSC

Lori J and Amy B went to synod assembly meeting. They said it was a great experience and would recommend others to go in the future.

## **10. CLOSING PRAYER at8:55pm**