

Peace Lutheran Church Council Meeting
November 15, 2023

Present: Jared Steinberg, Bill Schmidt, Mary Berg, David Westlund, Brian Grubbs, Kim Reid, Dan Lobejko, Van Kellog

Not Present: Jeff Palm, Andrea Theisen

Ex-Officio: Pastor Valerie Brown-Greenly

Guests: Arlen Missling (Peace), Amber Lange (Real Estate Agent) Kevin Peck, (Real Estate Agent), Dan Carlson and David, (New Life Properties)

Call to Order: The Meeting was called to order by President Jared Steinberg.

Presentation: Jared introduced Amber Lange, Kevin Peck, Dan Carlson and David. New Life Properties is interested in obtaining the Out Lot. A Construction Drawing of the Site was displayed on screen and discussed. The City of Coon Rapids would permit 38 units in 5 buildings. Proposed Floor Plans were also displayed on screen. These would be 1 and 2 bedroom apartments, no efficiency apartments. There would be no in and out entrance on University, access just on Butternut Street. After the presentation Amber, Kevin, Dan, and David left ZOOM and a discussion was held by the Council. It was decided there was enough interest and information available to set up a Congregational Meeting. We need to announce the Special Meeting two weeks in advance and send a notice out by mail 10 days before. A motion to conduct a Congregational Meeting on December 10, 2023 to present information about the proposal and receive feedback from the congregation was made by Van Kellogg, seconded by Brian Grubbs and passed. The regular meeting was then called to order.

Secretary's Report: A copy of the minutes for the October 12, 2023 meeting was made available on screen. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Bill Schmidt, seconded and passed.

Pastor's Report: Pastoral care during the month included funerals. We will be doing 41 Thanksgiving Baskets. The Kris O'Brien and Friends Concert is on November 16.

President's Report: Jared has been working with Amber Lange concerning the sale of the Out Lot. He also gave an "After Sunday" Stewardship talk during Worship and thanked Dave Westlund for his Stewardship Talk at Worship.

Treasurer's Report: A copy of the Treasurer's Report was made available on screen. Giving has been a little below budget. We did receive some fees and rents. A good start to the Stewardship Campaign. Some kitchen supplies were bought including cookies and items for the Congregational Meals. We hired help with bookkeeping. There was an increase in the umbrella insurance premiums. The Women of Peace had a very good Boutique. We were able to reduce the Line of Credit down by \$4,000 but need to get it down some more. A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was made by Dan Kellogg, seconded by Brian Grubbs, and passed.

Dates: Special Congregational Meeting, December 10, 2023
Annual Congregational Meeting, February 11, 2024

Motion to Adjourn: A motion to adjourn was made, seconded and passed.

The meeting was closed with The Lord's Prayer

Respectfully Submitted,
Mary Berg, Secretary