

Peace Lutheran Church Council Meeting
September 12, 2024, 6:30pm

Present by zoom: Bill Schmidt, Kim, Reid, Greg Loberg, Ginger Walker, Van Kellogg, Brian Grubbs, Nicole Harris, Jeff Palm, Dan Lobejko, and Jared Steinberg
Ex-officio: Pastor Valerie Brown-Greenly

Call to Order: The zoom meeting was called to order by President Bill Schmidt.

Prayer by Pastor Valerie Brown-Greenly.

Secretary's Report:

Minutes of the August 15, 2024, meeting were reviewed online. Van moved to accept the minutes, Jared seconded, motion passed.

Pastor's Report:

Rally Sunday on September 15 will include:

collecting items for the food shelf and for the underserved as well as new underwear,

installing teachers, and

enjoying hot dogs (served by Men of Peace) and a bounce house after the church service.

Sunday School and Confirmation classes resume this week.

Pray for the Benson family who recently lost their 32-year-old son.

President's Report:

The play yard fence has been taken down. Options are being explored for removing and disposing of the pea gravel.

Thank you to everyone who has been working hard to improve the gardens and landscaping around the property. A special thank you to Mary and Rich Steege and Mary and Doug Harms for improvements to the front of the property and to Nicole Harris for her efforts in recruiting people to work on the grounds beautification project.

Treasurer's Report by Greg Loberg:

Reviewed the Treasurer's Report August 2024 document on screen. In August, expenses were up and giving was down. To inform our members of the church's financial situation, the Finance Committee will mail a letter to the congregation and Pastor Val will address the issue on Sunday morning. Brian moved to accept the Treasurer's Report, Van seconded, motion passed.

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

Greg received a quote of \$2,000 to repair/repaint the pole holding the cross at the front of the church (estimate based on a 35-foot pole). Greg moved that we use \$2,000 in undesignated memorial funds to refurbish the pole and to use Men of Peace funds to cover all other costs above that amount to complete the repairs. Van seconded, motion passed.

Nicole received a quote of \$1,600 to replace bushes and plants in the Peace Garden at the front of the church. Nicole moved that we use \$1,600 in undesignated memorial funds to finance this project and to use Women of Peace funds for any costs above that amount. Van seconded, motion passed.

Upcoming Dates:

Next Council Meeting will be by zoom on Thursday, October 10, 2024, at 6:30 pm.

Jared moved to adjourn, seconded by Kim, motion passed.

The Meeting closed with The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ginger Walker, Secretary