

Minutes for Council of Gold Hill Lutheran Church

April 9, 2019

The April council meeting of Gold Hill Lutheran Church was called to order by Mike Lawson, President, at 6:00 p.m. on April 9, 2019. Present were Mike Lawson, President; Curt Quist, Administrative Director; Revonda Stordahl, Treasurer; Peggy Graving Secretary; Julie Corbin, Spiritual Ministry; Chris Ketchum, Worship Ministry; Lynn Aniksdal, Leadership Ministry, and Pastor Laurie Jungling. Absent was Jerry Aaker, Outreach Ministry.

Devotions were from Isaiah 43:18-21. From this reading we worked on the concept that "God is doing a new thing here at Gold Hill. It can be an amazing thing." We need to keep praying as we explore Gold Hill's possibilities. As a council and a congregation, we need to think outside the box and accept new ideas. We need to realize that not all of our trials will succeed but unless we attempt new things we will not know if they would have worked. We need to be creative as we "go out into the wilderness" and have faith. We reviewed the seasons of the church noting that Gold Hill is in the time of transition moving toward emergent organization and new actions.

The **minutes** of the March meeting were moved by Curt and seconded by to Julie to be accepted as emailed. The motion passed.

The **financial report** was given by Revonda. Our income is more and our expenses less than last year. Our income has not met the budgeted amount, but our expenses have not either. The Wednesday Lenten offerings for the Samaritan Fund have exceeded \$1200. Curt moved and Peggy seconded that the report be accepted as printed. The motion carried. (See financial reports for March.)

Pastor Laurie's Report was explained as printed. (attached). Jerry has resigned from the council and the transition team. A replacement for him will be named by the council. The members of the council are to ask individuals they think would be good as the outreach ministry leader and bring their names to the next council meeting. Curt will give a temple talk on April 28th and write the newsletter article regarding the Furniture Bank. Julie would like to do her Temple Talk in May (the 19th). The Synod Assembly materials have arrived and Mary is making the room reservations and reservations for the Assembly for Pastor Laurie, Mike Lawson and Heather Lynn Meeks. Peggy moved and Julie seconded that the church office be closed on the Monday following Easter (April 22, 2019). The motion carried.

Mike (President's Report) reported that a meeting was held between Gloria Dei members Sunvee Rosenleaf, Ross Whelchel, and interim Pastor Patty Callahan; Hope Lutheran members, Eric Olson and Mike Huotte; Gold Hill members Mike, Pastor Laurie and Peggy. Discussion was held regarding where the three churches were in the call process for a new pastor. Gloria Dei was interviewing a candidate and Hope Lutheran is interested in sharing with Gloria Dei if it works out. Gold Hill is not interested in sharing a pastor at this time. We discussed sharing of ministries and Hope showed an interest in the FLBC VBS being held in June. Information was given to Julie to contact Hope.

Mike reported that he has four families he is visiting through the visitation program started by the Outreach Committee. He provided communion to the three couples he visited and plans on visiting every couple of weeks. He has enjoyed preaching at Hope Lutheran and feels he has a connection with the members there.

The **Administrative Director Curt** provided the council with a draft Campership Policy. It was reviewed, additions were recommended, and Curt will bring the revised policy next month. Pastor added she met with the individuals requesting the full scholarship and the individuals are pursuing financial help from FLBC. They will receive up to the \$300 for each of their requests from Gold Hill. The fundraising policy written by Bruce will be reviewed by Curt and Bruce and presented with a Building Use Policy at the next meeting. (Policy drafts attached.)

Peggy reported she had made contact with Josie and as soon as she has the schedule for sports for her children she will get back to Gold Hill regarding dates for taking pictures for the Pictorial Directory.

Lynn, Leadership Ministry, provided a list of priorities for the committee to work on regarding repairs for the church. Discussion was held and items added for the parsonage. Bids are being received for the removal of the two large pine trees in the front of the church, a new sprinkler system and lot cleaning in the summer. Possibly there will be sign up sheets for lawn mowing, snow shoveling and cleaning at the church. (Priority List attached.)

Chris, Worship Ministry, reviewed the written report that she had emailed to everyone. The committee is busy preparing the sanctuary for Holy Week. The licensing for rights to copy music will go by \$200 next year. (Report attached.)

Julie, Spiritual Ministry, reviewed her written report adding that this summer we may add a congregational picnic. (Report attached.)

New Business: Facebook Page- Shelly has asked to step down from being the administrator of the face book page. She has voluntarily worked on this page for the last six plus months and feels someone else should take it over. Julie will look over the list of suggested administrators that Shelly created and will see if she can find someone. There is a possibility that we can have multiple administrators so that multiple people can put items on the site.

Ad for Easter: We received the prices for the placement of an ad for Easter. The quote from the Standard is \$375 for two ads – one eighth of a page for Easter and one eighth ad for Christmas. This is \$75 above the budget, but the best offer available. Peggy moved, Curt seconded, and the motion passed to place the ads for Christmas and Easter for \$375.

Parking Lot Concern: Drainage of the parking lot is a problem. Mike would like Lynn's committee to think about getting an engineer to look at it and see what kind of drainage solution could be made. Curt said Kevin Biastoch might be able to help.

Trust Committee Requests: The trust committee was trying to locate the annual meeting minutes where the trust committee was created. Peggy went to the Archives and found the minutes with the attached Resolution. The Trust committee was also uncertain regarding a committee assigned by the council in 2018 to review the Trust Resolution. Peggy found the minutes and read them to the council. The minutes included the members of the committee.

Curt moved and Chris seconded to adjourn. We closed our meeting with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted, Peggy Graving, Secretary