

Gold Hill Lutheran Church Council
Minutes – August 13, 2019

The meeting of the council was called at 6:00 p.m. Present were Mike Lawson, President; Curt Quist, Administrative Director; Peggy Graving, Secretary; Julie Corbin, Spiritual Ministry; Chris Ketchum, Worship Ministry, Lynn Aniksdal, Leadership Ministry; and Revonda Stordahl, Treasurer. Jerry Aaker, Outreach Ministry, was excused.

Curt Quist led devotions from Chapter 12 of Luke, verses 49-56. The topic was Christ Divides Men.

Pat Gruss came and requested permission from the council to host 150 Special Olympians during their state basketball tournament. The church would be responsible for setting up, cooking, serving and cleaning up for the meal. The food provided by the Special Olympics committee is a full turkey dinner. The dinner would be served between 5:30 and 7:00 p.m. Julie moved and Chris seconded a motion to host the Olympians. The motion carried. The council asked Pat to find out when the food would be arriving and how many turkeys, potatoes etc. would be expected. Desserts would be provided by the congregation. Julie and Pat will co-chair the event.

Julie moved and Curt seconded to approve the minutes as emailed for the month of July. The motion carried.

Revonda reviewed the treasurer's report. In the month of July we were in the negative by \$1,031.00, but for year to date we are still over by \$9,707.00. The budget versus the actual is very close. Peggy moved, Julie seconded, and the council accepted the report of the treasurer. Revonda also shared a sheet showing the actual cash on hand versus the actual cash available and not in a dedicated fund. (This page is attached to the minutes in the office.)

Reports of the Council:

Mike reported that he has visited with Kristi Bummer, an interim Pastor, who is currently serving in Helena. Jason, at the synod, gave him her name to contact as a possible interim for us. She will meet with the Executive Committee on August 28th. At this time she would like to have $\frac{3}{4}$ time not $\frac{1}{2}$ time and would like to be housed in the parsonage.

Mike requested that we review the membership report that he gave us last month to make changes if we know anything about the members listed.

Curt shared the Record Keeping Policy available online from the synod. After reviewing the Policy Curt moved and Revonda seconded that we adopt this Policy. The motion carried. Curt would like to have a plan for collecting and logging these necessary items. Curt also has not heard back from the Insurance Company regarding what they will cover when replacing the window wells and repairing the flooding damage. (The policy is available in the office).

Lynn reported that with help the tree on the south side of the parsonage has been removed as well as tree roots throughout the front of the home. The outside handle has been replaced on the basement door and the doors to the basement have locks. A lift may be rented to clean the gutters and enable Mike Vincent to repair brick on the south side of the church. Lynn is also getting a quote from Alpine Tree Service to clean the gutters. Her complete report is on file in the office.

Chris highlighted her report. She was going to send out an email to those who could preside and prepare the sermon for the Sundays in September. It was a consensus that contacting people individually by phone or in person would be more effective. Those who present the sermon will receive \$100.00, plus mileage if appropriate. On July 30th Mike, Curt and Chris met with Dave Coleman and would like to offer the musical director's position to him. Chris moved and Julie seconded that we offer Dave the job of Musical Director for a probationary period of September through December with a salary of \$1500. This motion passed. Curt further requested that he and Chris meet with Dave to negotiate and discuss the contract with Dave. Permission was given. Discussion was held regarding whether Dave would receive extra for conducting the choir. It was decided that during the probationary period it would be included in the \$1500.00.

Revonda reviewed the budget and gave the worship committee permission to have both pianos tuned. The required CCLI contract required to use and print music will be automatically renewed.

Chris also brought a request from a nonmember to use ten of our tables for a garage sale for a period of two weeks. This request was denied.

Julie reported that she has been working with Dale Schultz to take over the church website. She and Dale also began working on the flyers for the neighborhood for GWOH. After sharing Dale and her ideas it was suggested that Julie share their ideas and flyer with Jerry since GWOH is under Outreach Ministry. Curt also said that he would visit with Jerry regarding the volunteers and projects for GWOH when he returns from his trip.

Julie has been learning about the LOGOS program used at Hope Lutheran in Anaconda. It is similar to the program we tried last spring consisting of one night a month with a theme for the children to have a dinner, activities, music and Bible Study. She would like to enlarge on this and include families with a Craft and Bible Study Night. She would like to be trained in LOGOS but until we have more families the cost is too great. She was encouraged to go to the Trust Committee for funds to get this program going.

Theology on Tap will be on September 13th. Place and time will be announced later. September 20th is Pete Godtland's birthday and Fifty Five Plus will have lunch to celebrate at Perkins.

New Business: There was no new business.

Old Business: Lynn report that the Call Committee has been meeting and has a rough draft of the Ministry Sight Profile for the synod completed. The members of the Call Committee are meeting with members of the congregation to share the answers on the profile to get their suggestions before they meet on Wednesday, August 21st. The committee is hoping to send the forms to the synod at the end of the month.

The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Peggy Graving, Secretary