

Salem Lutheran Church
Council Meeting Minutes from April 23, 2020

Present: Pastor Mike Briggs, Terry Tichenor, Jeff Mitchell, Paul Tesdahl, Peggy Blistain, Mark Carlson, Joel Huntley, Jena Reed, Tracy Perpich

Absent: Jake Frahm

Opening Prayer

Approval of Minutes:

- A motion was made and carried to approve the March, 2020, Council meeting minutes.

Treasurer's Report:

- Discussion was held on the 2020 Quarter 1 financial reports. Motion made and carried to approve reports as presented.

Pastor's Report

- Short discussion was held regarding April's report to the Council.

Committee Reports

- An update and short discussion was held from the Capital Appeals committee regarding the process.
- An update and short discussion was held from the Worship and Music committee regarding the use of an FM transmitter for future services.

Unfinished Business

- An update was provided to the Council from the insurance carrier about the use of the church for Covid-19 patients. That use would not be allowed. Still waiting to hear about using the church for private music lessons.
- Discussion was held regarding the Ministry Site Profile. Forms will be submitted next week to Synod.
- Discussion was held regarding if/when/how the Mustard Seed and Salem West would be reopened.
- Discussion was held about going forward with the electronic sign project. The Council decided to table the project until more funds can be raised.
- Discussion was held regarding when worship service activities might resume again.

New Business

- A motion was made and carried to allow Salem Church Council to enter into a Federal Payroll Protection Program loan with Deerwood Bank in the amount of \$75,100.00. The Council authorized Council President Mark Carlson and Treasurer Terry Tichenor to sign documents related to the PPP loan.
- The March mortgage payment was made without the added \$5,000, due to Covid19 unknowns and no current financial report. Now that the first quarter financials have been

produced, the council will instruct the financial manager to get the mortgage payment caught up.

- Discussion was held about asking the Memorial Committee to give the Council an overview of the Schwanke Trust Fund and the restrictions on funding.

Meeting Adjourned

- The next meeting will be on May 28, at 6:00 P.M. at Salem Lutheran Church or held electronically via Zoon.
- Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

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