

Calvary Lutheran Church (CLC)
Council Meeting Minutes
October 11, 2022

Council meeting called to order at 11:40 am

Council members present were Jeff Schleusener, Bill Eldridge, Kerk Kerkenbush, Cheryl Chapman, Holly Mitchell, and Dan Kuecker.

Staff present were Pastor David Piper, Pastor Becky Piper, Tom Martin, and CLC Business Manager Kathy Miller.

Council members absent were: Troy Kilpatrick, Nancy May, and Jess Gromer

Pastor David opened with prayer. Chapman provided a devotion on Ephesians 6 about using the armor of God

Regular business

- Minutes from previous September meeting were approved with revisions by consensus
- Holly Mitchell was introduced as new Council member
- Treasurer's report:
 - o September receipts \$52,706 and expenditures about \$60,000
 - o Annual to date receipts about \$537,495 and expenditures \$680,898 (difference of \$143,403)
 - o Cash on hand at beginning of October was about \$27,174
 - o Annual giving lower by about \$78,000 from previous year
 - o Loose offering is improving receipts
 - o TV donations for the CW channel received to fund TV spots through February
 - o Utility expenses increased about 25%
 - o Kuecker asked about trends in spending and giving; Council discussed PPP loan and how the loan affected financial reporting
 - o Treasurer's report was accepted by Council
- Rostered leader reports were provided (Committee reports were not provided)
 - o Martin and Pipers began assistance at Lord of Life Church
 - o D. Piper is planning Fellowship Hall scheduling and Council discussed the scheduling process
 - o Martin provided a sabbatical request letter with planned dates starting early June through the end of August 2023 (12 weeks)
 - Chapman motion: approve Martin sabbatical with final dates to be approved by the Pastors; Kuecker seconded; approved by consensus

Old business

- Building updates:
 - o Construction mostly completed
 - o List of discrepancies due soon for items requiring finishing or repairing
 - o Plan to reupholster chairs rather than purchase new ones
 - o Possible that TV cabinet will be donated saving some funding
 - o Celebration date: planned for November 13 (Sunday) after service (about 10:30 am). There is a possibility of \$10,000 in matching funds that could be introduced during the celebration
- Ministry and staff handbook: meeting planned next week for drafting parts of handbook
- Follow up financial video for congregation planned by Kerkenbush

New business

- Budget: the 2023 budget was reviewed and discussed
 - o Martin asked about high school operating funds (some is budgeted, and some is donated)
 - o Chapman recommended that a revenue budget be developed for future budgets that plans and estimates income from all sources
 - o Chapman motion: approve Tier 1 budget with recommendation that any additional funding/receipts exceeding the budget be added to a special initiatives account. Second by Kuecker. Anonymous approval.
- Kathy Miller plans to end employment on February 1, 2023

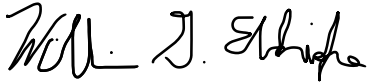
(Mitchell departed at 1:20 pm)

- Letter to Council: Council President will make appointment to visit and discuss with the person that sent the letter; also, Pastors will engage
- October 23 is New Members lunch; Council President plans to attend
- Martin is picking up duties for volunteer coordinator; Council is encouraged to participate

Next meeting: November 8 at 11:30 am.

Meeting adjourned at about 1:30 pm (unanimous approval)

Respectfully Submitted,



Bill Eldridge, Secretary