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11/14/2023

## Congregational Council Minutes

### Attending:

President: Shay Andersen

Vice President: Steve Andres

Secretary: Betty Behee

Treasurer: Bruce Mathias

Evangelism: Matt Springer

Fellowship: vacant

Parish Ed: Ginny Clark

Preschool: vacant

Property Mgmt: vacant

Social Concerns: Mary Ann O'Hara

Stewardship: JoAnn Philpot

Worship/Music: vacant

Youth: vacant

Pastor(s) Pr. Brian Stoffregen

**Opening:** Shay - Welcome and Prayer

### **Informational/Discussion:**

1. Severe Weather Shelter - Tracy Strissel - Tracy was unable to attend meeting

2. Annual Meeting - 11/19/23

a. Nominations from the floor for:

i. Council President

ii. Secretary

iii. Preschool Rep

iv. Property & Management

v. Treasurer

b. Transition Team Update - Report summarized for congregation

i. MSP Approval

ii. Call Committee Election - need one additional member

3. Member Non-Voting Removal - to be conducted by email vote before Sunday

4. Budget

Bruce presented the proposed budget. Given fewer giving units and a smaller number of pledges this year, the proposed budget leaves us with a \$68,000 deficit. After much thoughtful discussion, Council decided to present the proposed budget and an alternative budget at the annual meeting. Given our financial situation, do we need to consider calling a part-time pastor?

**Motion: We, the council, are presenting two budget options given the amount of pledged donations: The proposed budget, with a \$68,000 deficit, and an alternative budget, which delays calling a pastor for one year. Motion passed.**

### **Ongoing:**

1. Financials: Bruce reported the ending balance end of August was positive

September giving was down

2. Covid: Keep sanctuary seating the same.

3. Consent Agenda: Treasurer's report and October minutes

**Motion: It was moved and seconded that the Treasurer's report and the October minutes be approved. Motion passed.**

**Closing:** Shay closed with prayer

Next meetings:

Exec - Wednesday, Dec. 6, on Zoom at 1pm

Council - Tuesday, Dec. 12, 6:30 on Zoom

Annual Council Retreat: Saturday, Jan. 13, 9am to 3pm, Fireside Room

Minutes recorded by Betty Behee