

BETHLEHEM CHURCH COUNCIL

April 16, 2020 - 5:30pm

Jeff Hatlewick, Lynn Johnson, Kim Langbehn, Joyce Peterson, Ryan Anderson, Val Johnson, Julie Nelson, Jenna Noland, Tom Rasmusson, Alisha Helgeson, Scott Kummrow, Adrienne Miller, Rud Wasson, Tom Welle
Additional attendees: Pastor Tom, Amy Fronning, Ken Desselier

Call to Order:

Devotions:

Secretary's Report: Motion to approve by Lynn - 2nd by Julie, passed

Treasurer's Report: March revenue was slightly down, a comparison between Palm Sunday and Easter 2020 offerings were significantly less for 2020 than 2019

New Business:

- Action Item: Payroll Protection Program Loan, Tom W made a motion to approve a Payroll Protection Program loan through Security State Bank of Fergus Falls for \$46,250.00 - 2nd by Tom R, passed
- Sanctuary Use: Request from family to hold a small funeral (less than 10 people) in the Bethlehem Sanctuary - Motion by Lynn to allow funerals of 10 or less people (including funeral staff and clergy), with disinfected common surfaces before and after the service, with full social distancing parameters and CDC recommendations observed - 2nd by Julie, passed
- Discussion: is there a need for a drop box for offerings? Option to rent a drop box in the alley downtown behind the Senior Center where the utility payment drop boxes are located. The cost would be \$155 for a minimum of 3 months (\$50 set up fee and \$35 per month), Motion by Lynn (to be reevaluated after 3 months) - 2nd by Scott, passed

Old Business/Updates:

- Re-visit hold on spending, the bus and soundboard. Motion by Rud for purchase of a digital soundboard and equipment rack with solid state recorder, not to exceed \$10,000, to be paid from the Beyond the Building - 2nd by Julie
- Update from the sub-committee for surplus Mission & Outreach funds: a motion from Tom R to donate \$1,000 each to the North Country Food Bank, Fergus Falls Salvation Army and United Way of Ottertail & Wadena Counties - 2nd by Joyce, passed
- Update on Interim Associate Pastor Interview process

The next council meeting will be Tuesday, May 12th at 5:30pm; location or via Zoom TBD

Adjournment: Motion by Ryan - 2nd by Tom R, passed

Prayers for our congregation as our ministry unfolds in 2020

Lord's Prayer