

## Trinity Lutheran Church Council Meeting

May 16, 2024 – 6:30 PM

Conference Room

**Members present:** Kyle Gebhardt (President), Matt McMerty, Colleen Peterson, Barb Pfeifer, Denise Wetzel, Phil Murdoff, Mitch Becker, Bob Baumann, Julie Leer, and Pastor Mark Narum.

**Members absent:** Brady Pelton, Dean Natwick, Pastor Martha HarriSon

Devotions were given by Colleen Peterson.

**Approval of Agenda:** Request made to add broadcast fees, weed trimming update, and tree planting to New Business.

Colleen Peterson moved approval of the agenda with the additional items. The motion was seconded by Matt McMerty. Motion carried.

**Acceptance of Consent Agenda:** Matt McMerty moved acceptance of the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Colleen Peterson. Motion carried.

**Financial Report:** Colleen Peterson reviewed the Financial report; total expenses to date are under budget and under last year at this time. Net revenues for the month and year are up. Bob Baumann moved that the Council accept the financial report. The motion was seconded by Denise Wetzel. Motion carried.

### **Old Business:**

*Fire Detection and Capital Campaign updates:* Installation has continued to progress well and we are very close to having the final inspection.

*Update on Worship & Music Director Position:* An interview is being held the week of the 20<sup>th</sup>, with an individual as a potential part time hire. The individuals overseeing the music and worship duties on Sunday a.m. are receiving stipends for their work and the two overseeing the 10:30 a.m. music and worship duties are also helping with Wednesday worship.

*Homework:* Pastor Mark presented a SWOT Handout from the council retreat in April as a starting point for discussion of Goals.

### **New Business:**

*Radio Broadcasts:* The cost has increased \$10 per week.

*Tree planting:* Saturday (May 18<sup>th</sup>) on the 4<sup>th</sup> Street side of the property. The city is considering removing a couple of unhealthy looking elms from the southside of the property.

*Prayer request:* Prayers requested for a hospitalized member of the council.

### **Trust Fund Requests:**

1. United Way backpacks - \$4000 to United Way for 1500-1800 backpacks.
2. Pro Musica concert - \$2000 to offset the \$7000-\$10000 cost of developing the concert.
3. Stay out of Jail weekly Supper Club - \$2000 exploratory grant.

Phil Murdoff moved that the Council support these Property requests. The motion was seconded by Colleen Peterson. Motion carried.

**Dwelling in the World**: Dr. Melissa Henke, Medical Director at Heartview presented information concerning her practice and the clientele she serves at Heartview. Council discussed with her the ways we can respond to the needs of her clientele as members of the Trinity community and the Bismarck community.

The meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer at 8:00 p.m.

Submitted,  
Julie Leer, Secretary