

Following are amendments made to the July Council minutes.

Amendments made to the July minutes are in reference to the confirmands visiting council. They will be meeting with *council* rather than with *Pastor* and *might* be attending rather than *will* be attending. The July council minutes were approved as amended by John and seconded by Deb.

SHEPHERD OF THE VALLEY LUTHERAN CHURCH
Minutes of the July 18, 2017 Council Meeting

Present: Phil Smalley, John Wolf, Carol Bailey, Deb Zandonatti, Kris Tukker, Peggy Wenstrom, Sherry Scheider, Don Weise, Vicki Nitz, Pastor Scott Benolkin

Absent: Janette Erickson, Zane Smalley, Carol Dahl

The meeting was called to order. Pastor led devotions and a prayer discussion. The June minutes were presented for approval. Tabatha's name was misspelled and has been corrected. John Wolf made a motion to approve the minutes. Don Weise seconded the motion. They were unanimously approved.

Report of the Pastor- This has been e-mailed in advance of the meeting. Pastor brought up that during the Wednesday night concerts and the storms, there was great conversation and a “good feeling” among everybody.

We are still in need of council seats for property and youth. The property committee is going to try working without a council representative to see how it goes. Pastor is connecting with “Youth Connect” He would like to talk to Zane. We will continue to discuss filling these council seats at the August meeting. We will fill in the missing deacon Sundays with the remaining council members.

Peggy still needs to review Tabatha's position as nursery attendant. It was discussed whether a camera in the nursery might help us if we are in a bind. This is a protection for us. It is possible that a deacon might be called to do it. Carol B. also mentioned that you can only hear Pastor when you are in the nursery. Phil will look into this.

In earlier meetings we discussed goals that we need to set as a church. Phil has an article that he is sending for council members to read. We also need to think about true hospitality and relationships.

Janette has been in contact with Amy about the church directory. Amy K. needs to get a flash drive and forms for the church directory.

Confirmation- The two kids that will be confirmed will be invited to meet with Pastor. Pastor will try to make sure he can manage to schedule a time. He also needs to talk to Bruce Solko about taking pictures.

We are rescheduling the Sept. council meeting to Sept. 26, which is the fourth Tuesday. The two confirmands will be attending the meeting.

During the Oct. meeting someone from SYNOD will talk to council.

Time and Talent- Pastor has asked to type up time and talent descriptions. Council people need to talk to Judi if their description is incorrect.

Deacons- Please make sure to rinse out ALL coffee pots. Lights need to be out and the doors locked.

Committees

Finance- (Phil)- This was passed out and distributed for review. There are new LED lights in the parking lot.

Property- They met and scheduled another meeting. They made some progress on their list. Saturday, August 19 is a work day at eight am. Jobs that need to be done will be posted. The light fixture in front needs to be fixed. Phil is working on getting a discount on lighting.

Worship and music (Sherry)- We will be worshipping outdoors on August 13. People will be needed to move chairs. Hymns might be copies from the hymnal. Weather might be an issue.

The next council meeting will be on August 15.

Council was adjourned at 8:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Vicki Nitz