

## Shepherd of the Valley Council Minutes

July 18, 2023 met in person

Present: Brian Carpenter, Steve Larsen, Bob Tukker, David Musser, Pearl Fortman, Rhoda Fox, Carolyn Ciaccio and Barbara Pearson.

Absent members: Karen Dolan, & Julie Johnson.

1. The meeting was called to order by Steve at 7:00 pm.
2. Carolyn opened with the reading of the hymn "Build us Up".
3. Brian made a motion to accept the June 20<sup>th</sup> Council minutes. It was seconded by David. The motion carried.
4. Pastor Elizabeth Mascel with fill in July 23<sup>rd</sup>. Steve to follow up with Pastor Ron Larson for the following week.
5. Old business:
  - a. Filling of Deacon Openings, still need one for February 2024.
  - b. Endowment fund meeting will be August 13<sup>th</sup> after service.
  - c. Update on Employee Retention Tax Credit. Phil will inform us as soon as he knows more.
  - d. Sanctuary lighting analysis will take a few months before a decision – down to one company quoting us.
  - e. WELCA Ecumenical breakfast October 14<sup>th</sup> 9am-11am, at SVLC. Next meeting will be July 24<sup>th</sup> at Mary's Market.
6. New business:
  - a. Pastor's Exit interview and follow up steps by Council – Proposal motion by Rhoda to have Deaconess Cheryl to support us by providing Pastoral care during our time of transition. She will have office hours twice a week, lead Service of the Word, plan worship with Worship Committee and other administration duties as necessary. Motion was seconded by David. After discussion the motion was amended by Bob to include the approval by the Finance Committee. Motion was carried.
  - b. Executive Committee to proceed with next steps before the next Council meeting.

7. Committee reports:

Outreach:

- a. Ice cream social – 7/29/23. And Alpine Feast is scheduled for 8/20/23 – 2pm - 5pm.
- b. RALM cookout scheduled for 7/29/23 in the court yard SVLC.
- c. Laundry Love is having ice cream on 7/19 by Grampa Sweet Treats. Laundromat on 1304 Brook Rd.
- d. Truck or Treat on 10/28/23 – still looking for someone to head this up as David will be out of town.

Property:

- a. Rocks were placed out front.

Worship & Music:

Finance:

Reports to be submitted electronically by Phil when he returns.

Motion to adjourn by Brian and seconded by Bob. Motion carried.

We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Next meeting will be in person on: August 15, 2023 at 7 pm

Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara Pearson