

Bethany Lutheran Church

COUNCIL MTG MINUTES

Tuesday, May 16, 2023 6:00 PM

Members Present: Pastor Carl Larson, Darren Bushinger, Norb Bueckers, Bruce Ford, Gary Oberton, Elizabeth Oberton, Brad Hansen and Wendy Richmond. Special Guest: Lynn Bushinger

Devotions: Pastor Carl opened with a reading from Matthew, the 9th Chapter.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Carl reported that everything is set for Confirmation on May 28. Both Pastors will be gone on June 25. We will have a special service, with a lot of hymns and the history behind the hymns.

Financial Secretary Report: Norb made a motion to accept the Financial Secretary Report, seconded by Brad, motioned carried.

Treasurer's Report: Norb made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Wendy, motion carried.

Council discussions:

Solar Project: Panels have been installed, electrical work began today. Should be completed by the end of the month.

Playground Equipment: Approximate cost is \$3,000. Elizabeth made a motion to put off purchasing until spring, seconded by Brad, motion carried. Pancake Breakfast donations will go toward purchasing the equipment.

Cross Lights: Cost to upgrade to LEDs is \$2,000-3,000. The lights are working now, wait on the LEDs.

Spring Cleanup: Decided not to do the spring clean-up on June 11th. We will be honoring the 2023 High School Graduates on that day. We will try having people clean on their own time. A list of items to be completed is on the white board and people can check off the items when done.

Solar Dedication Service: We will have an open house on July 29th, from 1-4 PM. The community will be invited to learn more about the Solar Array Project and how it came to be. Hopefully people will stay for the outdoor worship service.

Outdoor Worship Services: Norb will take care of the grilling on June 17, Darren and Norb will take care of July 29th, Mark Schlangen will take August 19.

Water Quality Report: Report came back that the water test was good.

Adjourned with the Lord's Prayer at 6:40 PM.

Next Council Meeting June 20, 2023 at 6:00 PM.

Minutes were approved by email.