

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, Jan 21, 2025

Council Minutes: 1/21/25

Call to Order: President, Cindy Monroe

Opening Prayer or Devotion: Cindy Monroe (Peggy Burns)

Quorum Call: President Cindy Monroe, Vice President Gail Goldsmith, Pastor Paul Busekist, Interim-Treasurer Dave Peppler, Financial Secretary Jim Monroe, Secretary Paul Wiemerslage, Tina Dohm, Denice Bossardet, Maureen Bauer, Jana Rockne, Doug Cunningham. Excused: Peggy Burns

Approval of the Minutes from the December 17, 2024 meeting: Moved and approved

Doug Cunningham's name added to Quorum Call of previous minutes.

Visitor Comments: None

Reports:

Pastor's report, financial secretary's report, and treasurer's report: Please see written reports for detail.

Committee Reports to Be Filed:

A. Christian Care	E. Personnel	I. Lower Level
B. Christian Education/Youth	F. Property	
C. Fellowship	G. Stewardship	
D. Membership and Evangelism	H. Worship and Music	

URGENT BUSINESS:

- A. Nominated by Exec: Majority vote to appoint Bethany Uhl to open stewardship position on council to serve until elections in June. Approved.
- B. Nominated by Exec: Majority vote to appoint Jay Pflasterer to open position on Mission Endowment Fund Committee until elections in June. Approved.
- C. Denise moves to approve community partnership with Old Town Playhouse for the production of Dreamworks The Prince of Egypt (story of Moses) Aug 21-23 (see attached). Motion carries.
- D. Gail moves to approve partnership with Old Town Playhouse for the use of BLC for one week during late summer (possibly lower-level classroom(s) if ready) for children's theatre camp. Motion carries.
- E. Doug moves to accept the finance committee's recommendation for the funding for lower-level renovation. Motion carries.
- F. Doug moves to go forward with the lower-level renovation project, with expenses to not exceed \$70,000. Motion carries.
- G. Gail moves to use the remaining balance of Refresh account for the basement renovation. Motion carries.

New Business:

- A. Congregational Meeting set for June 8, 2025
- B. Accept with regret removal from membership of Marc and Jill Fenton and Scott Farley
- C. Gail moves to approve for membership: Brad Schuler and Linda Hansen. Motion carries.
- D. Safety video. Update from Safety and Security on new measures.

Old Business:

- A. 2-year goal of revision of BLC constitution (Paul W). Will send draft of updated constitution to council members for discussion at next meeting.
- B. Replacement/repair of cement in front entry (many uneven/broken areas-2nd estimate-\$8,000, and 3rd estimate slightly lower). Can it wait until 2026?
- C. Status of rebate application (Jim).
- D. Bethany moves to allow Jim to find CPA to file solar rebate electronically. Motion carries.

Members' Comments: A time of general/undocumented comments by each, if desired.

Lord's Prayer: said by all

Adjournment: 8:25pm