

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, December 17, 2024

Council Minutes: 12/17/24

Call to Order: President, Cindy Monroe called the meeting to order at 6:30pm

Opening Prayer or Devotion: Denice Bossardet

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

Approval of the Minutes from the November 19, 2024 meeting: Moved and approved.

Visitor Comments: Mark McPherson and Bethany Uhl present. Bethany presents updates on basement project (water and asbestos fixes and costs).

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. Maureen moves to direct undesignated funds from member(s) who decline to donate to our synod to Angel Care ChildCare (approximately \$266). Motion carried.
- B. Paul Wiemerslage moves to approve budget to be presented at 2025 congregational budget meeting. Motion carries.
- C. Paul Wiemerslage moves to approve commencement of fundraising campaign to secure \$70,000 for lower level renovation including direct donations, any available church funds, loans/"friendly bonds" from BLC members, Thrivent Action Teams, or a bank line-of-credit. Motion carries.
- D. Peggy moves that the remaining money from the sale of the house (approximately \$17,000) be placed in the general fund for 2025. Motion carries.

New Business:

- A. Please try to schedule some time to join in Thursday night meal and activities and/or Caroling to Shut-in's after the service on Sun Dec. 22.
- B. Peggy moves to give proceeds of vase offering at blue Christmas to project feed the kids. Motion carries.

Old Business: (all tabled until 1/21/25 mtg)

- A. 2-year goal of revision of BLC constitution (Paul W)
- B. Replacement/repair of cement in front entry (many uneven/broken areas-2nd estimate-\$8,000)
Can it wait until 2026?
- C. Status of rebate application (Jim)

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

Lord's Prayer: said by all

Adjournment: 7:45