

# BLC Council Special Meeting Minutes

Barneveld Lutheran Church

March 20, 2022

BLC Council met on Sunday, March 20, 2022, in Fellowship Hall at Barneveld Lutheran Church.

The following Council Members were present: Dave Baumgarten, Ronda Bowe, Michelle Ihm, Melissa Lease, Megan Mieden, Otis Nelson, and Shelly Sandry.

The following others were present: Pastor Erich Hartenberger, Jo Ellen Uptegraw.

The meeting was called to order by Council President Lease at 10:01 am.

Pastor Erich read a devotion.

## Approval of Meeting Minutes

1. BLC Council Meeting Minutes from November 14, 2021
2. BLC Council Meeting Minutes from February 20, 2022
3. BLC Council Special Meeting Minutes from February 27, 2022
4. BLC Council Special Meeting Minutes from March 2, 2022

A motion was made by Baumgarten/Mieden to approve the Meeting Minutes – November 14<sup>th</sup> as amended, and the remaining as presented. Motion carried.

## Correspondence

None.

## Action Items

1. Ministry Team Liaisons Reports/Updates
  - a. Faith In Action (FIA) Team – *Shelly Sandry*
    - The Team will be meeting in a couple weeks
  - b. G.I.F.T. Team – *Michelle Ihm*
    - The Team is still working on reaching out to everyone
  - c. Health Team – *Ronda Bowe*

- Nothing new to report

d. Property & Grounds Team – *Otis Nelson*

- Randy Moyer has been contacted about installing lights and power in the storage shed behind the church
- A spring clean-up date has been scheduled for April 2<sup>nd</sup>, with a rain date of April 9<sup>th</sup>, to begin at 9:30 am
- Nelson mentioned the bell tower area needs to be cleaned up; Hosta plants could be planted for minimal cost

e. Technology Team – *Melissa Lease*

- Streaming still continues
- High school students are helping out with Wednesday services

f. Worship Team – *Megan Mieden*

- The Team is meeting on 3/22 to plan Holy Week services

g. Finance Team – *Dave Baumgarten*

- The Team is meeting soon to tie up a few items.

2. Church sign

It has been recommended a ground line be installed directly to the sign; work is being done towards completing this.

3. Council group photo

The Council took a group photo in the sanctuary.

4. Data back-up

Pastor Erich suggested the church's files should be backed up and the church should consider purchasing a new external hard drive.

Lease will look into this further; if the internet drops at the church, contact Lease as soon as possible.

5. Pastor Rhia service – compensation

Baumgarten is to ask Marie with the Synod on the standard for compensating Pastor Rhia when she is at BLC later this month for service and a meet and greet with BLC members.

6. Gutter cleaning

Nelson took care of cleaning the gutters on the east side of the building (near Pastor office).

7. Lenten Soup Supper Offerings – consideration of where freewill offerings should be given

A motion was made by Mieden/Baumgarten to contribute half the freewill offerings to the youth programs at BLC and the other half to the Helping Hands fund. Motion carried.

8. Facility Use Agreement

a. Linda Seeley

b. Mount Horeb Choral

A motion was made by Sandry/Ihm to approve the use of the building for Seely and the Mount Horeb Choral. Motion carried.

9. Confirmation Service

Confirmation Service will be held on Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, with Pastor Erich presiding.

10. BLC Constitution Amendments

The Constitution amendments should be sent to Brad at the Synod for review. The amendments will be reviewed at two separate meetings to make the process less daunting – Chapters 1-10, followed by Chapters 11-20.

11. Pastor's Report

Pastor Erich presented his report.

12. Any other business as may come before the Council

None.

Jo Ellen Uptegraw provided an update on the budget. In January BLC had a net income of about \$1,400; the church saw a deficit of about \$5,000 in February.

Uptegraw asked the Council to consider asking the Endowment for funds to update the chairs in the Narthex, as well as the furniture in the church offices. There is a form that will need to be completed to do this. Uptegraw will work with Shelly Lee to present some options and pricing.

Highs/Lows – Council members presented their recent highs/lows and were prayed for.

Next Meeting Date – Two upcoming meetings were scheduled: a Special Congregational Meeting on April 3<sup>rd</sup> and the regular Council Meeting on April 24<sup>th</sup>.

A motion was made by Ihm/Bowe to adjourn at 11:22 am. Motion carried.