

Church Council Minutes – 6/24/25

Present: Lindsay Gustafson, Dave White, Cindi Zimmerman, Brenda Neville, Rose Arrasmith, Pastor Nat

Absent: Ed Fulk, Doug Houser, Sarah Seigfreid

Meeting was called to order at 6:32. Rose led devotions. Cindi standing in for Doug.

Reviewed May minutes. Sarah missing from present. Brenda motioned to approved minutes, Pastor Nat seconded.

Reviewed May treasurer's report. Unresolved discussion about high energy bill, Doug was looking into it. Question to possibly investigate exterior plugs. Brenda motioned to approved report, Pastor Nat seconded.

Pastor's report:

On schedule for 4th of July root beer volunteers and planning. Ordered same number of barrels as last year. Golf is on for the 27th, Brenda sending out word to other churches. VBS online registration is open for enrollment at Methodist Church this year. Considering moving silent auction to a September date to perhaps see more participation. GWOH is on the 7th of September, the committee is moving forward with brainstorming for this year. Consider more promotion of the tree planting in the community this year. Pastor Nat is off this week, June 25, back next week. Pastor Gregg will be on this week.

Old Business:

Kitchen estimates being worked on.

Reason for not getting food pantry grant, not a high enough cash raised could have been a factor not getting grant. We were encouraged to apply again next year. Fundraising committee met last week and discussed about 50 businesses to target. Looking to apply to additional grants this fall. Putting a QR code up at the root beer stand to scan.

No updates on constitution approval. Cindi will follow up with Andy to see next steps.

Initial 150 celebration committee met. Looking to the fall. Theme will be "Generations of Faith". Every month leading up to celebration, will focus on some type of display in the cabinets to view. Need a budget for council, will work on an estimate to present council.

Sarah has emailed possible helpers for audit. Hasn't heard back yet.

GWOH will be September 7th. Will sell yellow shirts again.

New Business:

More to come from Doug on strategic topic work and housekeeping items (giving, insurance, etc). Thinking about it as a “back to school” moment.

Doug looking into virtual meeting options. Doug following up with Andy about this item.

Next council meeting will be July 22 at 6:30. Cindi will do devotions. Lindsay will do council member in service this Sunday. Rose will do the following Sunday.

July 6th service will be at 10am in the park at the pavilion. Bring a chair and dress for the weather.

Suggested New Business:

Banqueting table brainstorming is starting for next year.

Thoughts on virtual giving increases.

Council said Lord’s Prayer.

Rose moved to adjourn, Brenda seconded.