

Chisago Lake Lutheran Church  
Council Meeting Minutes – March 20, 2024  
Commenced at 7:00 p.m. Adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

**Members present:** Jamie Carlson, Steve Grossmann (via phone), Missy Keller, Chris Knight, Chris Lundberg, Erica Paffel, Lee Peterson, Melissa Rambow, Lori Sampson, Katie Schmidt, Pastor Brian King  
**Staff Member Present:** Stephanie Wendel, Church Accountant  
**Guests:** Annika Hall

President Chris Lundberg called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Opening Scripture/Prayer-** Prayer and devotions reflecting on Ephesian 4: 1-3 was led by Pastor Brian. Brief introductions were made, and council shared something quirky about our church.

**Approval of Agenda** – Chris Knight moved to approve; Melissa Rambow seconded; approved.

**Communion/Offering Schedule** – Circulated which includes Tuesday coverage.

**Approval of (late) Council Minutes** - Approval of February 15th, 2024, Council Meeting Minutes Jamie Carlson moved to approve; Lori Sampson seconded – approved.

Amend January 2024 Council Meeting Minutes – Lee Peterson moved to revise January 2024 council minutes as requested by Dave Johnson regarding stepped CD information; Melissa Rambow seconded; approved.

**Treasure’s Report** – Lee Peterson moved to approve treasurers report; Steve Grossmann seconded; approved.

**President’s Report** – Chris Lundberg provided the president’s report. She attended two (2) of the three (3) new member classes, great group of individuals with enthusiasm for CLLC. She also attended the conference assembly held at Faith Lutheran and that it is good to get together with other members of the Synod to learn what they are up to.

**Pastor’s Report** – Pastor Brian’s report highlighted the activities for the last month which included 26 new members, the Food Drive, Lenten Service feature B.L.E.S.S. discipleship and Holden Evening Prayer with an average of 90 in attendance weekly and the upcoming trip to Scandinavia with close to 30 individuals registered already.

### **Committee Reports:**

- **Children, Youth & Family** – Missy Keller update regarding update on Palm Sunday and Easter cinnamon rolls.
- **Finance** - Lee Peterson provided the report.
- **Historical** – Chris Knight provided the report which included a cabinet regarding Grumpy Old Men items; which would include a framed photo of Sally Barott; status of 2 cemetery record books rebound; new members received a copy of 150 Years of Ministry. Historical Committee to support council’s decisions regarding 170<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations. Potential portable displays and update regarding confirmation photos.
- **Memorial, Mission & Ministry (3M)** – Lee Peterson provided the report.
- **Outreach** – Lori Sampson provided the report.
- **Property** Steve Grossmann & Pastor Brian provided the report and update regard the hallways being painted.
- **Worship & Music** – Pastor Brian indicated that soon there will be a worship survey.
- **Youth** – Upcoming Breakfast see above.
- **Personnel** – no report.
- **Cemetery** – no report.
- **Community Meals** – Jamie Carlson provided an update on the weekly community meal. Always looking for volunteers & deserts.

## **Old Business:**

**1. Boiler Replacement (May 7<sup>th</sup>)** – Memorial, Mission & Ministry had approved councils' previous request for replacement, which will come from line 2.01 of the building fund.

**2. Planting More Hope Campaign (Saint Paul Area Synod)** – Discussion held. Lee Peterson moved to bring a request to Memorial, Mission & Ministry for an amount to be determined by Memorial, Mission & Ministry from outreach funding to this campaign focusing on youth and leadership growth. Melissa Rambow seconded; passed unanimously.

**3. Missionary Church Visit – Patrick and Jackie Bencke** - Katie Schmidt moved that council approve a visit by the Bencke Family (WELCA sponsored visit); Erica Paffel seconded; approved.

**4. Sponsorship of Harmony in the Park and Karl Oskar Days** – Discussion held. Steve Grossmann moved to request M.M.M. for outreach funds to sponsor Harmony in the Park at or above the level from 2023 (Gold Level) which was \$200.00; Lee Peterson seconded; approved. Melissa Rambow moved to request M.M.M. for outreach funds to sponsor Karl Oskar Days in the amount of \$300.00; Erica Paffel seconded; approved.

**5. 170<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Planning** – Chris Lundberg, Chris Knight & Jamie Carlson will work on events and activities. May is 170<sup>th</sup> anniversary. May 10<sup>th</sup> is ASI Male Chorus. Photo directory.

**6. Cottage Meeting Recap** – tabled. Notes emailed to Jamie Carlson to summarize/condense information.

## **New Business:**

**1. Memorandum of Understanding for Temporary Shelter request** – tabled. Additional information needed. Chris Lundberg to contact requestor for additional information and offer tour of church to see facility and whether actually a viable temporary shelter for their needs (up to 7 days).

**2. 2023 Internal Financial Audit** – Dave Johnson working on internal audit.

**3. RightNow Media Subscription-** Discussion regarding this Christian media subscription. Pastor Brian had requested up to \$2,400.00 from M.M.M. funds as a Christian Education tool, this would cover a 2-year subscription. Steve Grossmann moved to approve this request but to revisit it next year (ie: pay for 12 months now); Missy Keller seconded; approved.

**4. Two (2) Building Use Requests - Steve Grossmann** moved to approve the May 20<sup>th</sup> Christian Woman's group request; Katie Schmidt seconded; approved. Lee Peterson moved to approve Outreach's request that on April 29<sup>th</sup> Dick Lafean conduct CPR/AED training; Chris Knight seconded; approved.

**5. ILLU Parrish Email** – tabled. Pastor Brian to reach out and respond to email.

## **Adjournment & Closing Prayer:**

Missy Rambow moved to adjourn; Chris Knight seconded; approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m. Following the regular meeting council participated in retreat/team building activities lead by Pastor Brian.

**The next meeting be held on Thursday, April 18, 2024, at 7 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Lori Sampson  
Council Secretary