

Osseo Evangelical Lutheran Church Council

Wednesday, February 8, 2023

1. Meeting called to order by President Ryan Olson at 7:00pm

Roll call- Molly Vold, Ryan Olson, Don Erickson, Jill Welke, Pastor Terry Lorenz, Pastor Dave Hoadley, Deb Gregory, Donna Fonner, Shannon Hasz, Mark Hoffman, Marv McCune, Michael Scheller, Carissa Apland

2. Devotions and treats: Donna- talked about "I can do all things with God's help" and "God created us for a purpose."

3. Topics of the day: Introduction of all council members

4. Secretary's minutes presented

January 15, 2023-

- **Motion made by Shannon to accept minutes as read. 2nd by Donna. Motion passed.**

5. Staff reports

- **Administrator, Molly**

- Bills paid
- Financial report- January 2023
- Treat/Devotions sign-up
- Staff/Council contact information

Motion made by Don to accept reports. 2nd by Carissa. Motion passed.

- **Pastor's report**

-Thanks, and welcome to our new members of council

-One summer council meeting will be held at our farm, perhaps a cookout and a chance to get to know one another better.

-Lighting upgrade in the church hallways has been completed.

- Old fixtures will be offered, along with sanctuary fixtures, at this fall's church thrift sale.

-Heat tapes, Osseo Plumbing does not do heating tapes for roof, only pipes.

- We will look into replacing them this spring or summer

-Shawn & Carrie Green Family would like to take over live streaming and sound board including titling, lyrics, etc.

-Back boiler room update - The fluid in the system had not been monitored and refreshed over the course of its life. The fluid in there now is quite corrosive and needs to be replaced. This will entail draining it, flushing with cleaner, and flushing it twice with water. The first of these flushes cannot be dumped into the city sewer lines. We will have to pay \$200 to have a sample analyzed to determine proper disposal which will mean capturing it all in metal drums and taking to Waste & Reclamation Center. System holds 102½ gallons. We're planning to flush, rinse and refill in May or June.

- **Action needed: Approval of \$200 expense to have sample tested in preparation of disposal**
- **Motion to test sample of boiler fluid made by Don. 2nd by Deb. Motion passed.**

-Confirmants: faith statements, interviews, and then will bring list to be accepted by council. We have one student who started the year at OELC due to Pigeon not having an interim yet. She will finish coursework here and be confirmed in Pigeon. I have spoken with Pastor Greg Ofsdahl regarding this.

-Visitation Report for January 2023 - 18

- **Associate Pastor report**

-The theme for Lent 2023 is reflections on parts of the Peace Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi. This will start on Ash Wednesday and cover the following Wednesdays, Maundy Thursday, and possibly Easter.

-The February senior high event is this Sunday, just snacks and relax. Despite it being Super Bowl Sunday and some of the youth having a long rehearsal for the musical, a couple others are planning to come.

-TGIF event coming up Feb. 19, it'll be a family game night in Youth Room. Ryan brought in a bunch of games and families can also bring their own. Snacks will be available.

-ASP: Four boys have signed up, looking for at least one more person to make full crew, but have space for more crews as well. Site assignment should be in the next few weeks. If we go with only one crew, the adult chaperones would be Joe Tietjens and Madeline Kestner. Frans would sit this year out, which he's fine with, and I'd go as a float, able to help at that site or others as needed. I talked to one parent from last year who said she thought the school summer overseas trips are affecting ASP.

-I asked Dr. Jeremy Vogel if he would provide dental kits for Tri-County Food Pantry, and he agreed immediately. I brought some to the last distribution and we gave out a fair number. He is also willing to provide pro bono dental care for children from needy families; his only qualifier is that they're old enough to sit through the appointment. We have dental and other hygiene products in our mini-pantry, too.

-I'm staying in contact with Nurse Ashley regarding what else she needs for the Thunder Closet. Part of the recent gift to the church is earmarked for that project.

-I continue to discuss with O-F athletic director Andy Jepsen about my providing some basic commentary to the livestreams for athletic events.

-Pastoral events in January: funeral for Dale Olson, funeral for Jack Curry, 5 home visits, cards sent to youth for birthdays and the deaths of two grandparents, worship services at both Dove and Pigeon Falls, and three basketball games.

6. Committee reports/Ministry Update

- Committee Descriptions- Molly will email-
- Committee Assignments- some are taken- members need to contemplate and commit
- Reports? Worship- proposal to use the loose change donation for delinquent lunch accounts at school
- Other-

7. Old business:

- 2023 Line of Credit Renewal needs approval tonight-
 - **Motion made by Don to approve \$50,000 Line of Credit. 2nd by Deb. Motion passed.**
- Super bowl Sunday fundraiser. Maggie/Allyson
- Other-

8. New business:

- Temple talk- Ryan, Don, Donna, Deb and Terry will figure this out.
- Pictures & Presentation of Council & Committees- Deb working to create a pic collage of committees
- Other-

9. Devotions & treats for March- Don Erickson

10. Carissa adjourned with no objections at 8:15

11. Adjourned meeting with the Lord's Prayer

Next meeting Wednesday, March 8, 2023 at 7:00pm

Respectfully submitted,
Jill Welke, Secretary