MINUTES Congregational Church Council March 11, 2024

The meeting was called to Order at 5:28 pm by President Ron Kirchdoerfer. Members present were Linda Beck, Sari Torstenson, Pastor Bacon, Ron Kirchdoerfer, Rhonda Passolt, Tom Matthiae, Janet Rivard, Dan Bergschneider, Erinn Bratley, Eric Neff and Pat Olson. Randy Neumann was absent.

Pastor gave the opening prayer mentioning that Christians respond to the world with love!! He said he would be visiting with the outgoing Bishop about how to proceed with our church becoming a two-pastor church.

Eric made a Motion to accept the Agenda, seconded by Sari. Motion passed.

Eric made a Motion to accept the Minutes of the February meeting. Seconded by Tom. Motion passed.

Financial Report was presented. Rhonda made a Motion to accept the Financial Report. Seconded by Dan. Motion passed.

Committee Reports

Property: Tom mentioned that the committee is researching insurance options for the playground. This will be tied to the church policy and is going to cost minimally.

Tom has received a quote of \$12,000 from a plumber to do the work of removing and installing new sewer pipe under the concrete flooring and installing fixtures in the men's and women's bathrooms. It was suggested that the work start ASAP. Tom made a Motion to accept the quote. Linda seconded. Motion passed.

Painting is finished in Pastor's new office and a new desk is ordered. The main hallway will be prepped and painted April 10-12.

The proposed air-conditioner for the library is awaiting the Beautification Committee's proposal since the Memorial Fund voted "No" to funding.

Audio-Video: Music and Worship committee has asked that they be able to fundraise so the purchase and installation of two TVs can proceed. One will be hung over the broadcast booth so Pastor can see what slide is up; another that will be portable for viewing when there is overflow in the narthex. The current TV in the library will be connected so the service can be transmitted there. This will cost approximately \$5,000. Motion by Eric to proceed, seconded by Rhonda. Motion passed.

Correspondence: Thank you note from Patty VanLandshoot..

The church will become a Triage and Reunification Center during Birkie. This will be a Standing Resolution. The ambulance service will bring in water and cots just prior to each Birkie. Motion made by Tom to approve this action, seconded by Rhonda. Motion passed.

Resignation: Rhonda Passolt is resigning from Council. She will be moving to the Twin Cities area. We will miss this dynamo terribly! Motion to accept Rhonda's resignation was made by Linda, seconded by Erinn. Motion passed.

For the Good of the Order: Pat will be gone during scheduled April meeting. A Motion was made by Eric that we do not have an April meeting but have our next meeting in May. Seconded by Dan. Motion passed.

Motion to Adjourn by Linda, seconded by Erinn. Motion passed at 5:55 pm.

Submitted by Pat Olson