**Minutes**

**Congregational Council Agenda**

**June 9, 2025 - 5:30 P.M.**

**Members present:** Dan Bergschneider, Paula Gaida, Janet Rivard, Randy Newman, Ron Kirchdoerfer, Linda Beck, Eric Neff, and Jeff Reiche.

1. The meeting was called to order at 5:36 p.m. by Ron Kirchdoerfer.
2. **Opening prayer** was given by Pastor Joel Bacon
3. **Adoption of Agenda**- Memorial endowment nominee update was added to the agenda. Motion to accept agenda made by Eric Neff, 2nd- Randy Newman- Motion to accept approved.
4. **Approval of Minutes** from May 12, 2025 meeting- Motion to approve by Randy Newman, 2nd by Dan Bergschneider.
5. **Financial Report**- Ron Kirchdoerfer mentioned our congregation is holding our own at this point in the year- Motion made to accept by Linda Beck, 2nd Randy Newman… Motion approved.
6. **Pastor’s Report**- Pastor Joel Bacon reported the following:
* There will be five funerals this month to date
* We added shelves in the sanctuary.
* We received a communication from the insurance company stating they would like to walk thru and video the kitchen, AV system, flat screens, playground, columbarium, various fixtures.
* Pastor will be spending two days/nights in late June at Camp Wapo, as our youth attend the camp. Motion to accept Pastor’s report by Eric Neff, 2nd by Randy Newman.

**VII Sharing of Correspondence**- Ron Kirchdoerfer shared one correspondence from Madi Bergschnieder’s thank you note.

**VIII Committee Reports-**

**Property**- Ron Kirchdoerfer explained that apple tree on the west side of church will not be taken down, as the committee rescinded decision to take out. An electrician has been contacted for outdoor lighting, and we are waiting for him to come to complete work. Discussion on “Many Hands” going to every-other month... odd months this year, even months next year on the 3rd Thursday. Lumber has been dropped off for exterior surround/ wall on by debris area.

**Stewardship-** Jeff Reiche reported that a 2nd quarter communication will be rolled out on July 1 to the congregation via Facebook, church website, email blast to congregational members, and church bulletin.

**Children-Youth-Family-** Jeff Reiche reported that Julie Jolivette has met with one interested party for the part-time position with Terrific Tuesday program. A decision to accept or reject the position by the interested party will be made in the coming days. If the position remains open, we will be advertising for the opening via Facebook, Website, bulletin, and/or other job posting venues.

**LR Planning-**Jeff Reiche explained the new 2nd draft format for the LR Planning process.Pastor Joel Bacon has agreed to edit the document so that it represents a 1-5-10 year goal. Pastor Joel explained that at the July council meeting, council will determine if a LR plan item will go to a committee or task force assignment.

**Music/Worship-** Eric Neff reported new cameras have been installed in the front of the church.

**Membership committee-** Paula Gaida reported one new couple will be joining but we do not have paperwork completed to date. She also reported the supplement for the directory is at Advance Printing and soon be completed. The new directory addendum includes 14 new people. Motion to accept committee reports made by Eric Neff, 2nd Paula Gaida.

 **IX OLD BUSINESS**

 **Nominating Committee Report**- Jeff Reiche reported that we do have one person committed to filling council openings with one with serious consideration. A third potential council members will fill, if necessary, but would like the nominating committee to continue to look for interested parties.

**X NEW BUSINESS**

 **Summer Semi-Annual Meeting Agenda-** The ten-day letter goes out July 7. Pastor suggested using e-approval of agenda through email for semi-annual meeting agenda approval. Congregational members will vote on LR plan…July 20.. e approval before July 7. Committees/leadership reports need to submit a report in print form to Tanya by no later than July, 8 Tuesday...Pastor will take care of the bulletin blip reminding leaders to submit respective reports.

             Staff Paid Time Off (PTO) policy- Ron Kirchdoerfer discussed policy in existence in the event staff members are expecting newborn.

**Endowment Committee**- The council approved nomination of Laurie Clifford, Tammy Vergeront, Kathy McCoy to fill openings… Motion made by Randy Newman Motion, Eric Neff- 2nd

XI **Comments for the good of the order**- Reminder to get committees to send in reports

 **Next Meeting July 7 via-** E meeting on the 7th … No meeting on 14th.

 XII **Adjournment**- Motion made by Linda Beck, 2nd Dan Bergschneider.

Submitted by acting defacto secretary Jeff Reiche