

Bethel Council Minutes
March 12, 2015

MEMBERS PRESENT: Pr. Ode, Marlys Pickrell -President, Doug Bauer- Vice President, Jordan Rayborn -Treasurer, Susan Logen- Secretary, Carol Hovick- At large, Dave Salmon- At large, Joe Himple- At large, Rick Rudnick- At large, Beth Sundquist- At large

Meeting opened at: 7:03 PM

Devotions: Carol Hovick

Prayers for friends of Bethel: Sue Logen healing from ear infection. Carol Hovicks' niece Emily moving and thyroid surgery, Dan & Lynlee Ritchie in the death of Dan's brother.

Minutes: Feb 12, 2015 approved with one change. Pastors report second line needs to read "If we are to stay at this site, we need to begin doing annual giving campaigns - campaigns that include all the groups that use Bethel as well as the larger community."

Financial Report: not available. It will be ready before the congregational meeting on Sunday.
MIF loan: They agreed to reduce the payment by about \$400 a month for 6 months.

Pastor's Report: There have been four house meetings so far with one more tomorrow night. He has also talked to people who did not sign up for the house meetings. People in the community as well. Getting a sense of where people's passions are. The majority that he has talked to are leaning towards selling the building. They are sad but realistic and some are excited about what could be.

Reviewed the agenda for the congregational meeting on Sunday. The focus needs to be on Hope & Faith.

Unfinished business:

VBS next summer - we don't have the \$350 to give them this month. Need to wait until after the congregational meeting to see what is decided. Perhaps we should wait a year.

New Business:

We need a nominating committee as we will have two open positions that need to be filled. We need to make a resolution to the congregation at the meeting on Sunday to allow the council to discern how to fill the nominating committee.

Synod assembly is May 15th & 16th at Lynnwood convention center we have one adult male & one female. There is a cost so should we only send one?

Meeting adjourned with the Lord's prayer at 8:47pm

Respectfully submitted Sue Logen
Next meeting --- 03/26/15 at 6pm