First Lutheran Community Church June 17 2021 Meeting Minutes Final

Attendees: Jeff Robinson (President) Sarah Cook (Vice President)

Ryan Sjoberg (Secretary)
Pastor Adrian Bonaro
Sonja Miller
Casey Nelson
Suzanne Harvey

Fred Seidel (Treasurer)
Julianne Powelson
Chris Billings
Diane Aldinger
Paul Gaudette (CBA)

Absentees: Jake Nelson Sharon Bacon

Steve Atkinson

Guests: None

1. CALL TO ORDER (President) 7:02 PM

2. OPENING DEVOTIONS (Pastor)

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM 20 MAY VIRTUAL MEETING DRAFT 1 (President).

Sonja motioned we approve Draft 1 minutes from 20 May Virtual Meeting. Chris seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

4. REPORTS

A. Presidents Report:

- 1) The RVs in the parking lot have mostly moved on. There is some land in Olalla being explored for the trailers and tiny houses, but the remote location could pose some challenges (such as bus service). The county is in the process of purchasing the former Olympic Fitness building to run a shelter in partnership with the Rescue Mission. There is some discontent with the county from the community.
- 2) The tiny houses continue to sit in the parking lot and there is no available place for them for the foreseeable future. Could we sell or donate the structures to someone else? There are several groups in Tacoma and Seattle that are expanding. The county continues to believe there is a path forward for them. 2/4 sheds were completed and funded entirely by First Lutheran.
- 3) Cane's Tree Care took care of the branches in the lower lot and trimmed the trees. What can we do with the new space?
- 4) The Transformation Team has been meeting with Jeff. They have been discussing what to do next and the discussion have been very positive.
- 5) Adrian's laptop was damaged during the final parking lot service.

Sarah motioned the church replaces the broken laptop. Sonja seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

6) Sarah is working with the coffee truck to have them return. The Coffee Committee is in transition, so having the truck for a while will be nice. We want to make sure that its worth their time and we can support the local business.

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B. Pastor's Report:

- 1) In August Pastor Dan will be filling in while Adrian is on vacation. September will start up other activities like confirmation and bible studies.
- 2) Transformation Team has continued to meet and wants to take advantage of the "restart." Seeing what people want to bring back or start new. Teams of two will start outreach soon.
- 3) The search for a piano player continues. There is a proposal to make it simpler. Instead of looking for a Piano Player and Music Director, we could separate the positions. A separate Music Coordinator could prepare and plan the music. Then we could just find a Piano Player. The council reviewed a suggested job description for a Music Coordinator at 8 hours per week. There is a candidate in mind that has expressed interest and has a connection to the church.

Sarah motioned to approve the job description. Sonja seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

4) Ministry Center – is there any interest in turning the Ministry Center into senior housing? We have discussed using the back lot for a similar project before (apartments). With proper renovations, we could fit a few units into the building and keep them affordable for seniors in the community. Council had concerns of the risks of the project, particularly the cost and liability of it. Running an apartment complex would require a full time Manager. More research is needed to overcome these concerns. In the meantime, we will need to renew the contract with Gary Andersen if we want to continue to market the building.

Sarah motioned we renew the contract for 6 months. Chris seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

C. Treasurer's Report -

- 1) General Update: We have been notified by Thrivent Financial that our adjustable-rate mortgage loan is subject to a rate review as of September 1, 2021. Fred will contact the loan servicing specialist to discuss our options (e.g., converting to a fixed rate loan) and to determine the anticipated new rate if it adjusts. Our current rate is 3.625%; as of today the rate for a 30 year mortgage is about 3%.
- 1) FLCC General Funds: May general giving was \$23,820 compared to the April total of \$22,261 (May 2020 was \$25,525). May included an increase in the envelope giving of almost \$3,000, as well as a small amount of loose offerings now that we have resumed in house worship services. The Vanco Simply Giving, Thrivent, and the lease income from the KMHS remained consistent with last month. The total general fund income for May was \$31,546, and the expenses were \$29,145 for a net income of \$2,401. The general fund checking account

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- balance was \$107,473, and the general operations savings account was \$16,793 at month end.
- **2) Resource Coordinator Fund:** The fund received donations of \$30 in May. At month end there were \$14,005 in this fund.
- 3) NADC Noah's Ark Daycare: May income was \$60,277, and expenses were \$49,186 for a net income of \$11,091. At month end they had a combined total of \$227,764 in checking and savings accounts.
- **4)** NAPS Noah's Ark Preschool: May income was \$3,856, and expenses were \$3,952 for a net loss of \$96. At month end they had a combined total of \$33,461 in checking and savings accounts. Naps began the summer break, and is planning a summer camp session beginning in June.
- 5) **FLCCW First Lutheran Community Church Women:** The group remains largely inactive. In May they received income of \$1.25, and with no expenses they had a net income of \$1.25. At month end they had a combined total of \$6,701 in their checking, savings, and CD accounts.
- 6) **Designated Funds**: The majority of these funds remained inactive during May. The Community Aid fund received a donation of \$7,500 this month, as it continues to provide assistance to local residents. The Flooring fund received \$80.76 from the Amazon Smiles charitable giving program. The Flower fund has become active again as we resumed in house services; at month end the fund balance was \$565. The Men's Breakfast Group donated \$200 to the Youth Group for their summer retreat.
- 7) **Endowment Fund:** The balance of this fund is \$11,139; the next quarterly dividend is due in July.

D. CBA's Report:

- 1) The brush pile is gone and the last RV will be moving to a new spot we located for him.
- 2) Daycare received a grant.
- 3) Now that in person services have resumed, we are receiving cash donations again. We need to have someone come in and assist with counting and depositing.
- 5. OLD BUSINESS (President): The constitution does not allow someone to be on council and the audit committee.
- 6. NEW BUSINESS (President): None.
- 7. FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER (President): None.
- 8. ADJOURNMENT (President)

Sarah motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:46 PM. Dianne seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

NEXT MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, 15 JULY 2021, 7:00 PM.