

Zion Council Meeting Minutes

August 17, 2023

Present: Ron Berg, Cindy Seyfer, Bill Nibbelink, Leslie Veit, Pastor Marsha,
special guest: Frank Scamman for regular meeting

Zoom Present: Jan Warren, Steve Panther, Peggy Nelson

Absent: Sue Askeland

- I. Opening prayer: Pastor Marsha
- II. Motion to move to executive session for meeting with a Zion member/passed
Motion to move to regular meeting/passed
- III. Consent agenda/Vote/Passed
 - a. July 20th regular session Minutes
 - b. July 20th Executive Session Minutes
 - c. August 12th Zion Planning Meeting Minutes
 - d. August 12th Executive Session Meeting Minutes for Reconciliation Meeting Planned
- IV. Recommendation to hire a financial person for no more than 24 hours at \$75/hour to balance the Zion financial records-Voted/Passed
- V. Pastoral Care Position update-Motion to hire Julie Wenham September 1st start date for 12-15 hours a month for hospital visits every other week and visit the home bound./ motion passed
- VI. Other Business
 - a. Sexual harassment training resources/dates (Sue is checking on in-person training)
 - b. God's Work Our Hands Sunday (Sue and Peggy meeting on date/plan)
 - c. Organ update-Tim will forward to us soon/may be additional costs
 - d. Review meeting dates and times.
August 27th coffee with council re authority
September 21st 6:30 next council meeting may be zoom
- VII. Committee reports
 - a. Personnel committee update/Jean meeting soon
 - b. Mission Endowment Committee/Eldon Snyder included in the packet

Special request from Steve Panther to purchase a table for 10 at \$500 for the upcoming September 7th dinner and silent auction for the JCIC organization. Voted yes.

- c. Engagement Stewardship/Leslie-have a way to show in church one has donated online-slip in the offering plate? More discussion also in regard to credit card use costing the church 2.65% in the amount of \$1600-how we can lower costs for online giving.
 - d. Constitution Committee-Ron/Pastor Marsha- rough draft early to five members to check over at this time.
 - e. Adult learning-Cindy just finished our adult Bible School-evaluations out.
 - f. Social Justice Team/Steve Panther-JCIC dinner and silent auction is September 7th from 5:30-8pm at the Coralville Unitarian Church
 - g. Mutual Ministry Team-Bill working on it
 - h. Children, Youth, Families Ministry Team/Jan Sarah Meehan and myself are meeting in September to brainstorm and hopefully plan. Pastor Marsha reiterated to include Andrew in our meeting and to have him talk to our Sunday School parents
 - i. Worship planning: Pastor Marsha, Marlys and Melanie-new setting is being used for worship
Tentative date for children's program-first Sunday in December,
2nd Sunday in December Lessons and Carols
3rd Sunday in December Advent Band
December 24th 7pm and 10pm services
December 25th no services
 - j. Property Committee/Nick/Dan included in the packet.
- VIII. Closing Prayer-Motion to adjourn-Passed.
- IX. Next Council Meeting September 21st

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Nelson

Council Secretary