

Minutes of Council Meeting

Elk River Lutheran Church - ELCA

The ERLC Council held a regular meeting on Tuesday, April 21, 2020 via ZOOM.

Call to Order

Devotions were given by Sue Hales.

President Kari Christianson called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Roll Call: Michele Smith, John Auel, Jodie Dahlheimer, Kari Christianson, Jennifer Stanley, Ron Stricker, Pastor Nathan Mugaas, Brian McFarlane, Sarah Chur, Ryan Herbert, Sue Hales

ERLC Congregation Member Comments and Council Listening Session

At this time, visitors to the meeting are welcome to present information of interest. The members of ERLC Council will receive such input without comment and will not discuss or act relative to any items brought forth at this meeting. The ERLC Council may direct consideration of presented information of interest at subsequent meetings.

President Christianson was not notified of anyone interested in presenting information.

Action items

- Motion to approve the minutes of the March 17 and March 26 ERLC Council meetings made by Jennifer Stanley and seconded by Michele Smith. All approved, motion carried.
- Motion to approve the March finance report presented by Treasurer John Auel, made by Michele Smith and seconded by Jennifer Stanley. All approved, motion carried.
- Motion made to pursue the program where the copier contract is deferred for 3 months with the 3 months added to the end of the contract by Ron Stricker and seconded by John Auel. All approved, motion carried.

Financial discussion

- President Kari Christianson notified the council that the church has been approved for the SBA loan.
- There will be some savings because the church building is not being used.
- Giving statements will go out the first week of May with a letter from Pastor Nathan.
- A piece of property has been gifted to the church.

Pastor's report

The staff is working from home except for the broadcasts. Linda and Lori do come in a couple days a week to count offerings and complete items that cannot be done from home.

- The Community Care Team, of 15-20 people, have called 232 households. They have about 100 more to call.
- The Genesis and other Bible Studies will be offered online. Staff is looking at ways to connect with people.
- The staff is beginning to discuss what a gradual return to in-person worship and congregational life may look like.

President Christianson adjourned the meeting at 7:44 pm and concluded with The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Sue Hales, secretary