

Minutes of Meeting Elk River Lutheran Church

The ERLC Council held a regular meeting on Tuesday, August 20, 2019 at Elk River Lutheran Church-ELCA.

Call to Order

Devotions and prayer were given by Michele Smith.

President John Natwick called the meeting to order at 6:38 pm.

Roll Call: John Natwick, Mark Schwarze, Jennifer Stanley, John Auel, Sarah Chur, Jodie Dahlheimer, Ryan Herbert, Brian McFarlane, Michele Smith, Pastor Nathan, Kari Christianson.

ERLC Congregation Member Comments and Council Listening Session:

At this time, visitors to the ERLC Council meeting are welcome to present information of interest. The members of ERLC Council will receive such input without comment and the ERLC Council 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.

- No members present.

Action Items

- Review and Approval of the July 2019 ERLC Council Minutes.
 - Motion to approve by Sarah Chur; Mark Schwarze seconded. All approved; motion carried.
- July Financial Report
 - Motion to approve the July Financial Report by Mark Schwarze; Michele Smith seconded. All approved; motion carried.
- Review of proposals for a new copier contract, which will start at the end of the current contract.
 - Motion to accept the bid of Coordinated 7052 1/20 made by Mark Schwarze; Michele Smith seconded. All approved; motion carried.
- Key locks on doors estimate
 - Motion to approve made by Jennifer Stanley; seconded by Sarah Chur. All approved; motion carried.
- Church section advertising in the Elk River Star News for the August 31 and September 7 editions.
 - Motion to approve \$125/week cost for two weeks made by Jennifer Stanley; Mark Schwarze seconded. All approved; motion carried.
- Playground funding remains tabled until additional cost needs are received.

Pastor's Report

- Martha Herbert has submitted a resignation letter. Pastor Nathan will send Martha's letter along with his message to the congregation. Interim plans are being developed for the Children, Youth and Family Ministry programs this fall.
- A new sermon series, "This Is Us," will begin on Sunday, September 8th.
- First-time visitors will receive a gift box with a mug and other ERLC logo items. We are all encouraged to look for and greet new people on Sunday morning.

Capital Campaign Review

Members of the congregation have been invited to submit a devotion for booklet to be used as part of the capital campaign. Sixty devotions are planned/needed. The deadline for submissions is September 3rd.

Reminder: Capital Campaign consultant Blair Anderson will meet with the Council on Tuesday, September 17th, at 7 pm. This meeting also will include all appeal co-chairs, team members and staff.

Great River Family Promise

A request has been received to participate with other congregations in our area in this program to host homeless families 3 or 4 times a year for week from 5 pm to 7 am. Pastor Nathan and others will explore this idea with the congregation, particularly looking to identify interest from volunteers.

President Natwick adjourned the meeting at 8:04 pm. The meeting concluded with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Kari Christianson, Secretary