

**BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
PLANNING COUNCIL MINUTES
August 16, 2022**

CALL TO ORDER (5:00 PM) – Carter Hansen

Members Present: Ex. Com. – Carter Hansen, Diane Finnie, Ginny Buck, Mike Bassingthwaite; Bd of Property – Paul Oehlke; Bd of Christian Ed – Dana Anderson; Bd of Stewardship – Muriel Hedrick & Polly Withuski; Bd of Outreach – Lori Pithy; Bd of Lay – Cyndy Kolle; Pastor Tom Peterson

Members Absent:; None

Guests: Brian Finnie

Spiritual Direction – Pastor Tom

Approval of July 19, 2022 Minutes: Ginny/Muriel

Old Business:

1. Bethel web site update: Per Pastor Tom the office is checking into pricing to hire a web developer

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Consecration Sunday – Board of Stewardship and Pastor Tom discussed what they have planned at length.
2. Dedicated accounts – Carter provided a grid that has been developed to better document the existing dedicated funds accounts Bethel has, what they are intended to be used for, and who (ie what Board or entity) is responsible for oversight of these accounts. The current status of these funds are provided to the Board chairs at each PC meeting.
 - Ex. Com. and financial staff have reviewed grid – Boards are ask to review and comment
 - Discussion held – changes will be made with final grid provided

TREASURERS REPORT: items noted:

- Income was updated for last few months to correct an electronic giving issue that was discovered. 4 of the last 7 months were still in deficit.
- Misc. income reflects the contributions recorded from the special appeal letter from Pastor Tom \$10,525. This income provided a positive balance for July of \$2,751
- Large repair and maintenance cost for August was the remainder payment for the new sidewalk to the east of the building. Noted that several church home line items are over budget after 7 months.
- YTD deficit = -\$15,663
- Checkbook balance (operating) -\$67,098
- Various charts of historical financial data were discussed along with plans to keep congregation informed on the financial situation.

Dates and notables:

October 16, 2022 – Consecration Sunday w/ Brunch

October 26, 2022 – Reformation fair?

Respectfully Submitted:

Mike Bassingthwaite, Secretary/Treasurer

Items to address when the time is right, or time allows:

- \$100,000 set aside for Outreach from the capital campaign