

Aurora Lutheran Church
Council Meeting Minutes
July 19, 2017

The regular monthly meeting of the Aurora Church Council was held on July 19, 2017 at 7:30pm at the Aurora Diner. Those present were: Pastor Stephanie, Ryan Larson, Tim Johnson, Sara Quiggle, Michelle Williams, Angie Jensen, Stan Norland, Ryan Criddle, and Kayla Paape.

- ❖ Pastor Stephanie led us in Prayer
- ❖ Secretary's report read & approved
- ❖ Pastor's Report
 - What's happening: Joint Summer Picnic, Vacation Bible School, Food Stand Fundraiser, working on Trinity's Constitution,
 - Upcoming: Vacation day on July 20, Columbia trip August 3 – 15, Fair Week, and working on planning a fall gathering and Bible Study.
 - Aurora is hosting the Rural Ministry Gathering meeting put on by the Synod called "Hope in Christ" on Tuesday July 25 from 6:30-8:30pm
 - Pastor will be declaring a Housing Allowance of \$4,000 for 2017
- ❖ Treasurer's Financial reports were reviewed & approved subject to Audit
 - June income \$3,828.51 expense=\$4,576.83 Net loss = (\$748.32)
 - 6/30/17 checking balance = \$2,242.76
 - YTD Budget figures on the financial report look too high – Stan will research
- ❖ Unfinished Business
 - Bjoraker Land: The Settlement Statement needs to be paid before the parcel resolution can be finalized. Settlement statement includes our share of property taxes and a recording fee. Motion made and approved for Stan to pay settlement fees once he verifies the property tax figures are correct.
 - Parking Lot: Seykora will be regrinding and reclaiming the asphalt in the parking lot this Saturday, July 22. The new parking lot will be completed by Monday July 24.
 - Parking Lot Fundraiser on July 15th: Gross income from the fundraiser was just under \$700. We do not have net figures yet. Cheryl Thompson will be submitting the information to Thrivent for matching funds.
 - Parsonage gutters: Ryan Larson got a quote from ABC Seamless for gutters. The quote had several different options – one included install new gutters and remove the old ones for \$1,986.88. Ryan Criddle will obtain a second quote from Gwilt Siding in Blooming Prairie
 - Cheryl Thompson repainted the women's restroom – it looks great!
 - The trench work for the lighting outside the church has been done.
 - Church Thermostats: new thermostats have arrived and are ready to be installed. Angie will set up installation date. We will put the two WiFi thermostats in the Sanctuary and basement and the regular one in the Narthex.
 - The Trustees completed a walk thru of the Parsonage. The project list includes:
 - Sump pump discharge hose needs to be replaced – Ryan Criddle will fix
 - Weed patches in back and front yards needs maintenance
 - Gutters – Council is getting quotes
 - Hole in closet ceiling
 - Nail holes to fill
 - Basement flooring
 - Mold along basement floor
 - Replace water softener hoses – Ryan Larson will fix
 - Dishwasher leaks at times
 - Seal and stain back steps
 - Earwig bugs
 - The mold in the basement should be addressed soon. We will table the rest for now.

❖ New Business

- Board of Education has set some dates for Sunday School.
 - Sunday September 17 is Rally Day
 - Sunday School starts on September 24
 - Sunday December 17 is the Sunday School Christmas Program
- Tim Johnson has new steel shingles and vent for the little utility shed at church. He will need to purchase channels for it though.
- Motion made and approved to have an August Council Meeting on Monday August 21 at 6:30pm at the Diner after the Diner cleaning.

❖ Next Council Meeting is Monday August 21 at 6:30 p.m. at the Aurora Diner

❖ Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully Submitted, Sara Quiggle - Secretary