

TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
Camp Hill, Pennsylvania

MINUTES OF CONGREGATION COUNCIL MEETING
January 14, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Tim Trissler.

The following council members were present:

Joe Barrick	Doug Bonsall	Pastor Brock
Judy Collins	Kathy Eavey	Roland Freund
Christopher Couch	Arnie Greenlund	Joe Fidler
Bill Foos	Peter Fox	Bob Frymoyer
Pastor Hardy	Maria Hegedus	Stephanie Maurer
Tim Trissler		

Nancy Martin, assistant to the secretary, was also present.

Gathering in God's Grace:

Mr. Maurer opened the meeting with devotions and prayer.

Roll Call and action on requests for absence: Mr. Barrick moved to excuse Tim Koch per his request. The motion carried.

Recognition of visitors: Mr. Peter Pennington, Mr. Craig Erdman and Vicar Louia were present.

Approval of minutes: Mr. Freund moved to approve the December 17, 2007, minutes with the changes to Roll Call and Social Ministry. The motion passed.

Agreement on Agenda: President Trissler added one item to the agenda per the request of Ms. Collins.

Report from Chapel Organ Task Force: Mr. Pennington informed the council of the possible postponement of the Hedrick's estate which is now scheduled for April and if appealed could take up to two years. He and Mr. Koch had a discussion and have come to the conclusion to accept the bid received of \$6,500.00. President Trissler noted at the November Council Meeting a motion was made on this and the motion had to be brought back to the floor. Mr. Fidler moved to bring the November motion back to the floor. Ms. Martin read the motion for the council members and a proposed substitute was made.

MOTION: Chapel Organ. Mr. Foos moved to accept the bid received of \$6,500.00 plus removal costs. The motioned carried.

Offering of our Gifts and Talents

Petitions and Communications:

A letter of thanks was received from Mr. Larry Robert from Messiah for the advent _____ received from Trinity.

President Trissler received a letter from the tenant at 1915 Market Street asking to extend his stay until March 31, 2008 due to a number of reasons. President Trissler will grant this request and prepare a letter to the tenant.

Staff Reports: Reports were received from Pastor Brock, Pastor Easton, Christopher Couch, Tim Koch, Peter Fox, and Debbie Wilson.

President's Report: President Trissler noted Head Greeters will be needed for the month of February. Messrs. Foose and Greenlund volunteered.

Executive Committee: The Ikebana group asked Trinity to allow the group to charge their members a \$10.00 fee to cover expenses for the rent of the building. Because the group had to get their newsletters out prior to the next council meeting, the Executive Committee approved this one time situation for April.

Reports of Special Committees:

Healthy Church Task Force: No report.

Capital Campaign: No report

Strategic Planning Committee – Mr. Bonsall mentioned that there will be a meeting on January 29, 2008 after they know the results of the Congregation Meeting on January 27, 2008. At this meeting they will gather more details for the February 2, 2008 Council Retreat. President Trissler asked Mr. Bonsall and Mr. Foose can stay after the meeting for five minutes to discuss few things in regards to the Congregation Meeting.

Reports of Standing Committees:

Treasurer's Report and Finance Committee: Mr. Frymoyer's report is on file.

Administration and Personnel Committee: No Meeting.

Arts Committee: No Meeting.

Church Property Committee: Mr. Foos mentioned he received a call from the gentleman who wishes to purchase some of the acreage, that Trinity received as a donation, in York County. Mr. Foose stated that there is nothing binding on the property. He asked the gentleman to provide him something in writing of his intent so there is something can be moved on. Mr. Foose

informed council that this individual only wish to purchase 5-10 acres. President Trissler stated that once we get the letter, we will need to get a formal appraisal of the property.

Educational Ministry Committee: No Meeting.

Evangelism: No Meeting.

Fellowship Committee: Ms. Wilson's/Ms. Henderson's report is on file.

Missions Committee: Ms. Winters' report is on file.

Parish Ministry Committee: No Meeting.

Publicity and Communications: No Meeting.

Social Ministry Committee: Mr. Freund's report is on file.

Stewardship Committee: Mr. Fidler's report is on file.

Worship Committee: No Meeting.

Youth Ministry Committee: No meeting

Reports of Auxiliaries: No report.

Continuing Service

Informal Session:

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business:

MOTION: Boy Scout Troop 51 Mr. Frymoyer moved to grant permission for the Boy Scout Troop 51 (sponsored by Trinity Lutheran Church) to conduct it's annual Flower Sale on March 20, 21, and 22, 2008 on the grounds of Trinity Lutheran Church. The motion carried.

MOTION: Judy Collins Trip

Comments for the good of the order:

Expressed thanks were given to the Fellowship Committee for the refreshments that were provided after the Christmas Eve Services. It was noted that hopes of this type of fellowship can continue for future years.

Mr. Frymoyer announced new council members: Daryl Ackerman, Mike Swalm, Craig Erdman, and Reuben Balasundram.

Ms. Betsy Nar? will take on the position as Evangelism Committee Chair and Ms. Elizabeth Winters wishes to relieve her duties as chair to the Missions Committee.

President Trissler asked all outgoing members that they will need to return their books to Ms. Martin. He also requested all outgoing council members to attend the February 2, 2008 retreat, if at all possible, to discuss the vision for the ministry.

Mr. Bonsall informed everyone that Ms. Wilson and the Faith X Band will be performing on February 9, 2008 and the Grange. If you are interested in attending this event, please let him know. Mr. Bonsall also discussed the Lower Susquehanna Synod event to take place February 23, 2008 and any one is interested in a car pool.

Pastor Hardy wanted to express his thanks to President Trissler, Ms. Maurer, Messrs. Barrick and Lubold for everything they had done while they served on council.

President Trissler asked everyone to plan to stay after the Congregation Meeting on January 27, 2008 to attend the organization meeting.

Pastor Hardy informed everyone Ms. Donna Sprowls is taking comments to publish for Ms. Susan Pennington retirement. If you have any farewell wishes you would like to pass along to Susan, please contact Ms. Sprowls as soon as possible.

Mr. Frymoyer informed council the chair for the Arts Committee, Mr. Bill Range, wishes to step down at the end of term.

Dismissal: The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m. Council members joined hands and prayed together The Lord's Prayer.

Maria Hegedus, secretary

Nancy Martin, assistant to the secretary