

# OUR CHURCH COUNCIL

## Executive Team

Moderator: Jason Jacque (2024)  
Associate Moderator: Jodi Cowen (2024)  
Clerk: Rhonda Thompson (2025)  
Treasurer: Phil Stepanski (2025)

## Team Representatives

Christian Education: Shandy Roehrig (2024)  
Fellowship: Jennifer Dimmer (2025)  
Staff Support and Review: Ken Matthews (2024)  
Property: Bill Bond (2025)  
Community Outreach: Eric Olson (2024)  
Liturgy: Tracy Greymont (2025)  
Stewardship: *currently vacant* (2025)

# CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

The February minutes were approved at the March 14, 2024 Church Council meeting.

## FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Church Council Minutes  
February 8, 2024, 6:30pm

Call to Order – by Jason Jacque, Moderator, @ 6:35 pm  
Pastor Scott, Jason Jacque, Tracy Greymont, Bill Bond, Eric Olson, Jodi Cowen, Jennifer Dimmer, Shandy Roehrig and Rhonda Thompson present

Opening Meditation – (Rhonda) Rhonda read a daily devotion from Paul Tripp's New Morning Mercies.

Approval of the Council Minutes – January 2024 - Shandy motions to approve the January minutes and Eric seconds the motion. The minutes are approved.

Treasurer Updates (Phil)- At the Executive Council meeting Phil reported that his meeting with Kristina went very well and role responsibilities are still being assigned. Kristina plans to reconcile the accounts back to 2019 and did not find that daunting. The final reports for 2023 have not been completed.

## Old Business

### Property Team (Bill)

- Elevator Repairs Update-The mechanical side of the installation of the new elevator part is completed and took less time than anticipated. The drilling was done and took two hours which leads them to think the bill will be way below the estimated \$45,000. The elevator is operating, but has not been inspected yet, and is not electronically functioning. Have you heard anything from the insurance adjustor? Arc melted/metal weeping was evident according to the insurance adjustor, but nothing official has been reported yet.
- Building Maintenance- Smoke Detectors, Solar Panels - The smoke detectors are functioning properly, and all work completed. The Property Team has received an estimate for \$595 to replace some

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parts for the solar panels. Gary Tackes has been a blessing to the team. The team would like some weekday help identifying the circuit breakers and the location they control.

- Church Security- Please table till next month.

Council Positions: Stewardship (Pastor Scott) - Jason has the thank you notes. Jodi and Jason will try to recruit someone to start in June.

Additional Team Updates (Shandy, Eric, Jennifer, Tracy, Ken) - Christian Education's report from Shandy is that Church School and Kids Club are going well. They are setting the dates for the remainder of the Sundays. Confirmation is May 19. For Community Outreach, Eric will create an email to let members know the plan for the Port Food Drive and Family Sharing restocking drive. They will be asking for canned goods, dry goods and paper goods. Jennifer says the next Fellowship event, February 18, is soup and salad. March will be Ukrainian Pysanky Egg decorating. March 2 is the Sues Breakfast fundraiser. Cinnamon rolls are planned for Palm Sunday. Wednesday March 20th we will host the Ecumenical Lent Service and dinner. Tracy says all is good with Liturgy. Jennifer has submitted the forms for the raffle license.

Congregational Meeting / Listening Sessions (Jason)

- Sunday, February 4<sup>th</sup> at 9am
- Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup> at 11am
- Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup> at 7pm via Zoom

A small change to clarify to attendees that the fundraising on the budget is presented as coming from the community attending hosted events.

Building Usage and Fee Schedule (Pastor Scott)- Alcohol and deposit fees were discussed as well as providing cleaning procedures. It was also discussed to have a statement on a price for repeat room usage.

### **New Business**

Preparations for February 25<sup>th</sup> Special Congregational Meeting (Jason)

- Approve Winter Congregational Meeting Minutes
- Vote to change the Call Agreement terms
- Vote to approve the 2024 Budget
- Ask for volunteers to create a Fundraising Team

Make a list of cuts made and list volunteers that are doing the work instead.

Any other new business to come before the Council? - A choir from South Africa will be in the Sheboygan area. Pastor Hollister of First Congregational Sheboygan asked if we'd like to host and hear the South Africa Choir on March 7. They asked us to provide a potluck dinner for the choir and members at 5:30 then the choir will perform. Pastor Scott will let them know we are interested.

Closing Prayer and Adjournment at 8:05 pm  
Submitted by Rhonda Thompson - Clerk