

# APPROVED AUGUST CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES

(The August Minutes were approved at the September 9, 2021 meeting.)

The August 12, 2021, Church Council meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Jeanne Mantsch, Moderator.

Present: Jeanne Mantsch, Phil Stepanski, Kathy Bretl, Mike Spalding, Savannah Anderson, Pastor Scott, Ric Probst, Bill Bond

Opening Meditation Pastor Scott

Our God is our rock, and God's word/water is our gift.

Approval of the Minutes – June 2021

There was a motion and a second to approve the June Minutes as presented to the Council. Further discussion led to the decision that Council Minutes published in the newsletter would be a month behind, i.e. in the future, June minutes would appear in the August newsletter.

Financial Administrator's Overview of Giving (Presented by Kathy, Treasurer)

Kathy had a very short presentation of "our report of giving" through the month of July. YTD giving was \$113,631.55.

*Old Business*

Reopening Team report and discussion (Phil)

Phil stated that the Team met to discuss 2 proposals.

- Adding singing
- Full opening

Of the 8 members that attended the "Reopening Team's" meeting, the majority wanted to see full opening. The Council moved and seconded a motion to include fully masked attendance. The motion was passed, after a lot of discussion. Ric had to leave the meeting at this point. Kids and their participation were Jeanne's biggest issue. Scott is planning outdoor Church School.

*New Business*

Building Maintenance Updates – (Bill)

Our new Property Team Chair had more questions than "updates". His first question was;

- "What am I responsible for?" he was pointed toward our office staff for more clarity as to existing volunteer groups.

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·“Is there a budgeted amount that his committee does not need full Council approval to spend on building upkeep?” Kathy gave a short answer of yes there are budgeted amounts for certain upkeep items.

·The Property Chair asked, “whom he should work with to apply for Conference grants for larger building upkeep project work.” Scott recommended Amy and Beckie as the contacts to help with that application work.

·Lastly the Property Chair committed to the Council to have a “Building Bible” established by the end of his term to have a document “the new Property Chair can use as a general guide to the history and on going needs of our little church’s building and it’s upkeep. Scott offered Amy and Beckie as folks who could help identify groups and what their divisions of responsibilities are.

### Funding for Microphone for Fellowship Hall use

Scott brought to the Council a request for funds (\$2,000.00 estimated) for a portable sound system, flat screen TV and a cart to move that equipment around. His vision for the use of this equipment is for meetings and other events primarily in Fellowship Hall, although it could also be used outdoors. Kathy stated that there were funds for such Church needs in the budget.

Mike Spalding asked if there could be an email blast letting the congregation know that masks would be required to attend church until further notice. Scott told the Council he would ask Amy to get the email out ASAP.

The Council Meeting was adjourned around 8:15 p.m.