

COUNCIL CAPSULE

January 13, 2016

SUMMARY

OPENING

- Pastor Mark opened the meeting with devotions.
- Secretary's report — Report from Rhonda was read and approved.
- Treasurer's report — Report from Carol was read and approved.

REPORTS

- Chairman: Budget review and vote: Ken DeBower moved and Doug Schueler seconded it to approve the proposed budget. Motion carried. Council reviewed the proposed ballot.
- Deacons: Defibrillator training took place Jan. 10. There were 15-20 people in attendance. Thank you to Tammy Fleshner for conducting the training.
- Parish Ed.: None.
- Stewardship & Finance: None.
- Mission & Outreach: Every member visits are being discussed.
- Trustees: None.
- Worship: None.
- Pastor's Report: Pastor gave an accounting of his church duties over the past month

OLD BUSINESS

- Talked about setting up a CPR class.

NEW BUSINESS

- Upcoming annual meeting will be held Sunday, Jan. 24.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be February 11, 2016 at 7 p.m.

CLOSING

The meeting closed with the Lord's prayer.

MEMBERS PRESENT

P LuVerne Davis (President)
P Carol Seehusen (Treasurer)
P Rhonda Edeker (Secretary)
P Todd Brinkman
P Pastor Mark Walker

P Dale Janssen
P Robert Vieker
P Kyle Roose
P Rolin Eberline

P Ken DeBower
P Doug Schueler
P Missy Debner
A Josh Johnson

ANNUAL MEETING

January 24, 2016

SUMMARY

OPENING

The annual congregational meeting of the St. John's Lutheran Church of Vilmar, Greene, Iowa, in Butler County was held on Sunday, Jan. 24, 2016. LuVerne Davis, Chairman, called the meeting to order at approximately 12:15 p.m., with 37 people in attendance. Pastor Mark Walker led the group in devotions, song, and prayer.

The agenda was reviewed and approved. The minutes of the 2015 annual meeting were read and approved. The treasurer report was read and approved. Chairman LuVerne Davis presented the 2016 ballot; Ken DeBower moved and Darwin Winkowitsch seconded it to approve the ballot as presented and elect the nominees unanimously. Motion carried.

The newly elected members are:

- Deacons: Marc & Jennifer Seehusen
- Trustee: Harlan Martzahn
- Treasurer: Aimee Deuell
- Mission & Outreach: Rolin Eberline
- Synod: Brian & Lavona Engelhardt
- Cemetery: Darwin Winkowitsch
- Bartels Home Delegate: Barb Wagner
- Youth Synod Assembly: Matthew Davis

REPORTS

Reports from various organizations were reviewed. Kenny Debner reported the date for Brotherhood Pancake supper has not been set yet.

OLD BUSINESS

- None.

NEW BUSINESS

- LuVerne Davis presented the 2016 proposed budget. Margaret DeBower moved and Missy Debner seconded it to approve the budget. Motion carried.
- Carol Seehusen questioned the distribution of special offerings. Pastor Mark moved and Kyle Roose seconded it to let the council handle it.

Kurt Roose moved to adjourn the meeting and Dale Janssen seconded it. Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectively Submitted,
Rhonda Edeker

Following the annual meeting, a short council meeting was held. Rhonda Edeker made a motion and Rolin Eberline seconded it to nominate Kurt Roose as Chairman. Motion carried. Installation of council members will be Sunday, Jan. 31, 2016. There will potluck council dinner following fellowship on Sunday, Jan. 31. Council will be looking into the constitution and Robert's Rules of Order. Meeting adjourned.

COUNCIL CAPSULE

February 11, 2016

SUMMARY

OPENING

- Pastor Mark opened the meeting with devotions.
- Secretary's report — Report from Rhonda was read and approved.
- Treasurer's report — Report from Aimee was read and approved.

REPORTS

- Chairman: None.
- Deacons: None.
- Parish Ed.: None.
- Stewardship & Finance: Got a thank you from the NE Iowa Synod for our support.
- Mission & Outreach: Still working on the every member visits. Want to do some fundraising with the kids for mission support.
- Trustees: None.
- Worship: None.
- Pastor's Report: Pastor gave an accounting of his church duties over the past month

OLD BUSINESS

- We purchased a treasurer's computer with memorial money.

NEW BUSINESS

- The pages of the directory were handed out for the prayer chain.
- Council is going to be reviewing the constitution.
- Trustees will look into lighting repair for the cross on the front of the narthex.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be March 10, 2016 at 7 p.m.

CLOSING

The meeting closed with the Lord's prayer.

MEMBERS PRESENT

P Kurt Roose (President)
P Aimee Deuell (Treasurer)
P Rhonda Edeker (Secretary)
P Harlan Martzahn
P Pastor Mark Walker

P Dale Janssen
P Robert Vieker
P Kyle Roose
P Rolin Eberline

P Marc Seehusen
A Doug Schueler
A Missy Debner
P Jennifer Seehusen

COUNCIL CAPSULE

March 10, 2016

SUMMARY

OPENING

- Secretary's report — Report from Rhonda was read and approved.
- Treasurer's report — Report from Aimee was read and approved.

REPORTS

- Chairman: None
- Deacons: None
- Parish Ed.: None
- Stewardship & Finance: None
- Mission & Outreach: Continuing to work on every member visits
- Trustees: Installed a new water heater; entire church now has LED lighting; replaced damaged light sockets; and outdoor cross on front of narthex was repaired
- Worship: On Sunday, June 12, the Voigts will be conducting the church service
- Pastor's Report: Pastor gave an accounting of his church duties over the past month

OLD BUSINESS

- The 125th Anniversary sign will be removed.

NEW BUSINESS

- A sign-up sheet for mowing the church lawn will be coming soon.
- The outdoor and indoor spring clean-up will be on Saturday, April 2 at 9 a.m. A rain date of Saturday, April 16 has been set.
- We are looking into pouring a sidewalk from Pastor's driveway to the cemetery.
- The stumps behind the church will be removed soon.
- We will be trimming the tree by the flagpole.
- We are looking into possible member mailboxes.
- Rolin made a motion and Jennifer seconded it that the trustees and deacons can research a projector system. Motion carried. Robert then amended and Dale seconded it to also research adding a live-feed and more microphones to the system. Motion carried.
- Vilmar will be receiving a substantial rebate from the Butler County REC to help cover the cost of the light bulb replacement to LED lights.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be April 14, 2016 at 7 p.m.

CLOSING

The meeting closed with the Lord's prayer.

MEMBERS PRESENT

P Kurt Roose (President)
P Aimee Deuell (Treasurer)
P Rhonda Edeker (Secretary)
P Harlan Martzahn
P Pastor Mark Walker

P Dale Janssen
P Robert Vieker
P Kyle Roose
P Rolin Eberline

P Marc Seehusen
P Doug Schueler
P Missy Debner
P Jennifer Seehusen

COUNCIL CAPSULE

April 14, 2016

SUMMARY

OPENING

- Pastor Mark opened the meeting with devotions.
- Secretary's report — Report from Rhonda was read and approved.
- Treasurer's report — Report from Aimee was read and approved.

REPORTS

- Chairman: None.
- Deacons: None.
- Parish Ed.: None.
- Stewardship & Finance: None.
- Mission & Outreach: None.
- Trustees: A new sump pump needs to be installed under the elevator. The fire extinguishers have all been update and are all under service contract.
- Worship: None.
- Pastor's Report: Pastor gave an accounting of his church duties over the past month

OLD BUSINESS

- Concrete will be poured from Pastor's driveway to the cemetery.
- Still looking into a projector system.
- Aimee is doing research on church mailboxes for each family.

NEW BUSINESS

- Rolin made a motion, Jennifer seconded it to have Niemeyer to do dust control for the church.
- Rolin made a motion, Pastor seconded for Aimee to do research to get a service contract for the donated copier.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be May 12, 2016 at 7 p.m.

CLOSING

The meeting closed with the Lord's prayer.

MEMBERS PRESENT

P Kurt Roose (President)
P Aimee Deuell (Treasurer)
P Rhonda Edeker (Secretary)
P Harlan Martzahn
P Pastor Mark Walker

A Dale Janssen
P Robert Vieker
P Kyle Roose
P Rolin Eberline

A Marc Seehusen
A Doug Schueler
P Missy Debner
P Jennifer Seehusen

COUNCIL CAPSULE

May 12, 2016

SUMMARY

OPENING

- Pastor Mark opened the meeting with devotions.
- Secretary's report — Report from Rhonda was read and approved.
- Treasurer's report — Report from Aimee was read and approved.

REPORTS

- Chairman: None.
- Deacons: None.
- Parish Ed.: Little Lutherans are planning some events for the kids this summer.
- Stewardship & Finance: Kurt will be presenting a talk about simply giving, mission support, and ELCA support.
- Mission & Outreach: Pastor made a motion to give \$3,000.00 from the General Fund to the ELCA Synod. Motion failed for the lack of a second.
- Trustees: Replaced bulbs; fixed lights; Doyle Brocka offered to remove all the stumps and trees west of the church and dispose of them.
- Worship: None.
- Pastor's Report: Pastor gave an accounting of his church duties over the past month

OLD BUSINESS

- The sump pump has been replaced under the elevator.
- Family mailboxes are being worked on.
- Projector - looking into it.

NEW BUSINESS

- Copy machine - looking into it.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be Thursday, June 9, 2016 at 7 p.m.

CLOSING

The meeting closed with the Lord's prayer.

MEMBERS PRESENT

P Kurt Roose (President)
P Aimee Deuell (Treasurer)
P Rhonda Edeker (Secretary)
P Harlan Martzahn
P Pastor Mark Walker

P Dale Janssen
P Robert Vieker
P Kyle Roose
A Rolin Eberline

P Marc Seehusen
P Doug Schueler
A Missy Debner
P Jennifer Seehusen

COUNCIL CAPSULE

June 9, 2016

SUMMARY

OPENING

- Pastor Mark opened the meeting with devotions.
- Secretary's report — Report from Rhonda was read and approved.
- Treasurer's report — Report from Aimee was read and approved.

REPORTS

- Chairman: None.
- Deacons: None.
- Parish Ed.: The Little Lutherans will hold their camping trip on June 10 at Wilder Park.
- Stewardship & Finance: None.
- Mission & Outreach: Rhonda moved and Rolin seconded it to order the outreach cards for our church services for one year. Motion carried.
- Trustees: Clean up behind the church will be Monday, June 13 at 7 p.m., with a potluck supper. Bob is coming to draw up plans for the projector system.
- Worship: Pastor will be gone Sundays, July 3 and 10, so we are looking for volunteers to lead the service.
- Pastor's Report: Pastor gave an accounting of his church duties over the past month.

OLD BUSINESS

- Mailboxes are being worked on. Council is looking for congregational input.
- Looking at contract prices for the donated copy machine.

NEW BUSINESS

- None.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be July 14, 2016 at 7 p.m.

CLOSING

The meeting closed with the Lord's prayer.

MEMBERS PRESENT

P Kurt Roose (President)
P Aimee Deuell (Treasurer)
P Rhonda Edeker (Secretary)
A Harlan Martzahn
P Pastor Mark Walker

P Dale Janssen
P Robert Vieker
P Kyle Roose
P Rolin Eberline

P Marc Seehusen
A Doug Schueler
P Missy Debner
P Jennifer Seehusen

COUNCIL CAPSULE

August 16, 2016

SUMMARY

OPENING

- Pastor Mark opened the meeting with devotions.
- Secretary's report — Report from Rhonda was read and approved. Due to a lack of quorum, July meeting was not held.
- Treasurer's report — Report from Aimee was read and approved.

REPORTS

- Chairman: None.
- Deacons: None.
- Parish Ed.: Little Lutheran family picnic will be Sunday, Aug. 28. Sunday School will start Sunday, Sept. 11. Little Lutherans will start Wednesday, Sept. 14.
- Stewardship & Finance: None.
- Mission & Outreach: None.
- Trustees: Replaced the light bulbs in the wall sconces in the church with new LED bulbs.
- Worship: None.
- Pastor's Report: Pastor gave an accounting of his church duties over the past month

OLD BUSINESS

- Copy machine: still working on service contract
- Projector system: still working on ideas

NEW BUSINESS

- God's Work. Our Hands. is in progress
- Pastor Mark presented his letter of retirement, council accepted

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be September, 8, 2016 at 7 p.m.

CLOSING

The meeting closed with the Lord's prayer.

MEMBERS PRESENT

P Kurt Roose (President)
P Aimee Deuell (Treasurer)
P Rhonda Edeker (Secretary)
P Harlan Martzahn
P Pastor Mark Walker

A Dale Janssen
A Robert Vieker
P Kyle Roose
A Rolin Eberline

A Marc Seehusen
P Doug Schueler
P Missy Debner
A Jennifer Seehusen

COUNCIL CAPSULE

September 8, 2016

SUMMARY

OPENING

- Pastor Mark opened the meeting with devotions.
- Secretary's report — Report from Rhonda was read and approved.
- Treasurer's report — Report from Aimee was read and approved.

REPORTS

- Chairman: None.
- Deacons: Discussed communion rails.
- Parish Ed.: None.
- Stewardship & Finance: None.
- Mission & Outreach: None.
- Trustees: Elevator passed inspections. Repairs on narthex roof were done by Rick Stoltenberg.
- Worship: None.
- Pastor's Report: Pastor gave an accounting of his church duties over the past month

OLD BUSINESS

- Concrete to the cemetery is underway.

NEW BUSINESS

- Accepted letter of resignation from janitors, Edna and Rashell Davis, for Nov. 30, 2016.
- A meeting was set with Linda Hudgins, from the Synod office, for Wednesday, Sept. 14 at 6 p.m.
- Discussed retirement luncheon plans for Pastor and Patty for Oct. 16.
- Discussed sidewalk repairs north of the church—they are underway.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be October 13, 2016 at 7 p.m.

CLOSING

The meeting closed with the Lord's prayer.

MEMBERS PRESENT

P Kurt Roose (President)
A Aimee Deuell (Treasurer)
P Rhonda Edeker (Secretary)
P Harlan Martzahn
P Pastor Mark Walker

P Dale Janssen
P Robert Vieker
P Kyle Roose
P Rolin Eberline

P Marc Seehusen
P Doug Schueler
A Missy Debner
P Jennifer Seehusen

COUNCIL CAPSULE

October 13, 2016

SUMMARY

OPENING

- Pastor Mark opened the meeting with devotions.
- Secretary's report — Report from Rhonda was read and approved.
- Treasurer's report — There was no report presented.

REPORTS

- Chairman: None.
- Deacons: None.
- Parish Ed.: None.
- Stewardship & Finance: None.
- Mission & Outreach: None.
- Trustees: Work on the steeple with begin, tentatively, on Wednesday, Oct. 19. There was a conversation with Denny Wiegmann about the leaks in the church roof.
- Worship: None.
- Pastor's Report: Pastor gave an accounting of his church duties over the past month

OLD BUSINESS

- Concrete to the cemetery will be done in the spring.
- We are continuing to take applications for the janitorial position.
- Planning was completed for Pastor Mark's retirement on Sunday, Oct. 16.

NEW BUSINESS

- Vilmar is currently collecting monetary donations to support GoServ Global and their missions for the aftermath of Hurricane Matthew.
- The council discussed forming a call committee.
- Doug moved and Kyle seconded it to explore sharing ministry with St. James Lutheran Church in Allison. Motion carried.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be Thursday, Nov. 10, 2016 at 7 p.m.

CLOSING

The meeting closed with the Lord's prayer.

MEMBERS PRESENT

P Kurt Roose (President)
A Aimee Deuell (Treasurer)
P Rhonda Edeker (Secretary)
P Harlan Martzahn
P Pastor Mark Walker

P Dale Janssen
P Robert Vieker
P Kyle Roose
P Rolin Eberline

A Marc Seehusen
P Doug Schueler
P Missy Debner
P Jennifer Seehusen

COUNCIL CAPSULE

November 10, 2016

SUMMARY

OPENING

- Rhonda opened the meeting with devotions.
- Secretary's report — Report from Rhonda was read and approved.
- Treasurer's report — Report from Aimee was read and approved.

REPORTS

- Chairman: None.
- Deacons: None.
- Parish Ed.: Thanksgiving Eve fellowship is being planned. Christmas Eve service is being planned.
- Stewardship & Finance: None.
- Mission & Outreach: None.
- Trustees: Four new LED yard lights have been put up. Steeple has been re-shingled. Continuing to talk to Denny Wiegmann about the church roof leaking.
- Worship: None.

OLD BUSINESS

- Waiting to hear from the Synod about having an informational meeting regarding sharing ministry with St. James in Allison.
- Call committee has been formed: Kurt Roose, Rhonda Edeker, Jennifer Seehusen, Ron Salge, Jordan Eberline, and Helen Debner.

NEW BUSINESS

- We are taking care of the parsonage, including the water.
- The Cemetery Committee needs authorized signers for the Ameriprise account. After a discussion of the account, Rolin Eberline moved and Missy Debner seconded it to have Kevin Edeker be the signer on the account. Motion carried.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be Thursday, Dec. 8, 2016 at 7 p.m.

CLOSING

The meeting closed with the Lord's prayer.

MEMBERS PRESENT

P Kurt Roose (President)
P Aimee Deuell (Treasurer)
P Rhonda Edeker (Secretary)
P Harlan Martzahn

P Dale Janssen
P Robert Vieker
P Kyle Roose
P Rolin Eberline

P Marc Seehusen
P Doug Schueler
P Missy Debner
P Jennifer Seehusen

COUNCIL CAPSULE

November 27, 2016

SUMMARY

A special meeting was called on Sunday, Nov. 27 after worship. Jim Wubbena updated the council about the water system and chlorinator. The chairman informed the council that there were three applicants for the janitorial position. The first person to inquire was Karson Roose. Harlan Martzahn moved and Jennifer Seehusen seconded it to offer Karson the position. Motion carried.

With no other business to discuss, meeting adjourned.

Respectively Submitted,

Rhonda Edeker

COUNCIL CAPSULE

December 8, 2016

SUMMARY

OPENING

- Rhonda opened the meeting with devotions.
- Secretary's report — Report from Rhonda was read and approved.
- Treasurer's report — Report from Aimee was read and approved.

REPORTS

- Chairman: None.
- Deacons: Issue with recording device has been addressed.
- Parish Ed.: Christmas program is coming along. No Sunday School on Christmas Day or New Years Day. Stage is up.
- Stewardship & Finance: None.
- Mission & Outreach: We received a thank you from GoServ Global for the \$8,647.58 that was sent to them.
- Trustees: Roof leaks will be taken care of. Temperature monitor device will be purchased and placed in parsonage. Heat is fixed in the narthex.
- Worship: None.

OLD BUSINESS

- Phones: looking into it.

NEW BUSINESS

- The ballot was discussed.
- Todd and Trevor Brinkman will take care of snow removal for the church sidewalks.
- Harlan Martzhan will take care of snow removal for the roads and driveway.
- Cancellation Policy for Winter: Kurt will call the guest pastor and together they will make a decision about cancelling church due to inclement weather. If service is to be cancelled, Kurt will call council members who will then call the people on their prayer chain lists. It will be put on KWWL and KLMJ. Missy moved to accept the cancellation policy as stated. Robert seconded it. Motion carried.
- On Tuesday, Dec. 13 at 7 p.m., at the church, there will be a meeting with council, call committee members, and Pastor Brackett from the synod.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be Thursday, Jan. 12, 2017 at 7 p.m.

CLOSING

The meeting closed with the Lord's prayer.

MEMBERS PRESENT

P Kurt Roose (President)
P Aimee Deuell (Treasurer)
P Rhonda Edeker (Secretary)
P Harlan Martzahn

P Dale Janssen
P Robert Vieker
P Kyle Roose
P Rolin Eberline

P Marc Seehusen
P Doug Schueler
P Missy Debner
P Jennifer Seehusen