

# Minutes

## Church Council Meeting Minutes

The regular monthly meeting of the Zion Church Council was held on Monday, Sept 9th, at 6:30 P.M. in Zion's Conference room the President being in the chair and the Secretary being present. The following people were present for all or part of the meeting: Mr. Doug Davis, Mr. Bruce McIntosh (Secretary), Dr. Sheri Huckleberry, Mr. Darin Gordon, Mrs. Linda Kinna-Engel, Mr. Jeff Derr, Mr. Bob Rockwell, Mr. Bob Hetrick, Mr. Clinton Appleby, Mrs. Cindy Unangst, Mrs. Carolyn Milauskas, Mrs. Deb Reichelt (Treasurer), Pastor Matt Day, and Pastor Diane Day, Ms. Donna Huffer. A quorum was met with 14 of 14 members present at the meeting. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved as corrected.

Agenda items were distributed to council members electronically prior to the meeting. The President noted a change to the agenda, moving the first item of new business (Audit Results) to the top of the agenda following Devotions. This change was made for the convenience of the Auditor. A motion was made to adopt the amended agenda. There being no discussion, the chair called for the vote. The motion was adopted.

### **VOTED:**

**2024-9-1** To adopt the agenda and to permit the President to call for consideration of agenda items in the order the President deems most appropriate. (moved and seconded)

### **Devotions: Pastor Diane**

**2024-9-2** A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes as presented. A voice vote was taken, the vote was unanimous.

The reports of the Treasurer, Executive Committee, Personnel Committee, Property Committee, Mutual Ministry Committee, and Co-Pastors were received and placed on file. There were no requests for items to be removed. The President called for a motion to accept the consent agenda. The items on the consent agenda were adopted.

### **VOTED:**

**2024-9-3** To adopt the consent agenda. (moved, seconded)

The next item of unfinished business is the decision regarding the Worship and Music Ministry's motion to increase the Saturday Night pianists' pay to \$125.00. The motion was amended to read up to \$150.00. The vote was unanimous.

**VOTED:**

**2024-9-4** to authorize the Pastors to increase the Saturday Night Pianists' pay up to \$150.00.

Under new business the Nomination Committee presented a slate of nominees for next year's Church Council. The council selected 4 individuals to be contacted by the nomination committee as potential candidates.

The Constitution and Bylaws Committee was asked to present its recommendations for amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws. A motion was made to accept the recommendations presented. The motion was seconded, and the discussion resulted in three amendments to the Bylaws:

1. Article V sec. 8 was amended to read: SECTION 8—There shall be a Nominating Committee for new Congregation Council members. The Congregational Council shall annually appoint the members of the Nominating Committee. The Committee shall consist of at least 4 but not more than 6 members from the congregation at large. The Chairperson will be appointed by the Executive Committee and approved by the Congregation Council. The pastor(s) shall also serve as a member of any nominating committee.
2. Article VIII Section 1 was added to read: Article VIII, Section 1: The Congregation Council shall normally meet once a month but no ~~more~~ less than ten (10) times per year.
3. Article III Section 2 was amended to read: In June each year, the Nominating Committee will submit the names of ~~at least 4~~ consenting candidates for vote at the annual meeting. The committee's list of candidates will be submitted to the Congregation Council at their December meeting. These names, if approved, will be published in the following Sunday's bulletins in December. Additional nominations from the congregation may be submitted to the Secretary of the Congregation Council in writing and will be accepted until midnight, December 31. Written consent must be obtained from additional candidates by the person making the nomination. In addition, nominations may be made from the floor during the Congregation meeting. The council shall establish a criterion for selecting candidates for the congregation council.

The motion as amended was Motion passed unanimously.

**VOTED:**

**2024-9-5** to approve the recommendations of the Constitution and Bylaws

Committee as amended by the Council.

The pastors presented a proposal from the Music and Worship Ministry to conduct a joint worship service on Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> for the purpose of presenting the Christmas Pageant. Motion passed unanimously.

**VOTED:**

**2024-9-6** to conduct a joint worship service on Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> for the purpose of presenting the Christmas Pageant.

During the Open Forum there were discussions regarding the Mar-Lu-Ridge Capital Campaign, Heritage Days, and proposed changes to Zion's Wedding Policy.

The Council President selected Council members to present the *Take 4* items at the next worship services on Sat. Sept 14<sup>th</sup> and the Sunday services Sept 15<sup>th</sup>.

The Sept. 2024 meeting of the Church Council adjourned at 8:45 p.m. on Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024, following announcements and prayer.

Bruce McIntosh, Secretary