

Church Council Meeting Minutes

From meeting held July 12, 2016



Present: Terry Aylesworth, Bruce Batt, Lisa Carr, Deb Clark, Christine Fuqua, Laurie Geschrey (via phone), Aaron James and Carol Radovich

Absent: Carol Adair, Marie McPherson and Robert Skutt

- **Opening Prayer – Reflection on symbol of God's Presence**

The meeting was opened at 6:40 pm

Psalm 119 - A candle will be lit at the beginning of each Council meeting as a symbol of God's presence.

- **Approval of Minutes**

It was moved to accept the minutes of June 28, 2016 as amended and the motion carried.

- **Old Business**

- Columbarium – the presentation went well after services last week. An additional Informational Meeting is scheduled for Sunday 7/17 and a congregational vote on Sunday 7/24. The Council was made aware of concerns brought by Rick Gilmore to the Columbarium Team. After thoughtful discussion, the Council has affirmed the process and recommendation to the congregation and will continue in its planned process.
- Policy Update-
 - Safe Church – the draft by Laurie will be sent to Aaron and Christine. The final draft will then be brought to Council.
 - The policy on Church Use by Third Party is a work in progress.
 - Verizon approached the church for possible placement of cell phone tower. This will be discussed as further information comes.

- **New Business**

- Treasurer's Report – The report was sent by e-mail from Carol A. The report was accepted. The Council recommends quarterly reports from the treasurer to start next month. Lisa will discuss with Carol A.
- The Pastor's Report was accepted.
- Capital Campaign conversation is beginning.
- Retreat Follow Up – productive meeting with plans for others.
- Stewardship presentation by Aaron that he will be sharing with the Stewardship Team.

- **Future Business**

- Spiritual Development
- Approval of Council Covenant
- September 24 Church Council Retreat
- October 2 Informational Meeting for congregation, discussing the Council work

- **Closing Prayer: the meeting was closed in prayer by Lisa at 8:30 pm.**

Next meeting is scheduled for July 26, 2016.

Carol Radovich, Clerk