

Emanuel Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes

January 5, 2026

Meeting called to order at 5:10 p.m.

Marlene Connell read a devotion to the council.

Tammy Briskie made a motion to accept the agenda, Susie Krohn seconded it. Motion carried.

Susie Krohn made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting of December 8, 2025, Marlene Connell seconded it. Motion carried.

President's Report:

Nothing new to report

Treasurer's Report:

Tammy Briskie made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report, Mary Fairbank seconded it. Motion carried.

Memorial Report:

Nothing new to report. Memorial Fund balance is \$836.14.

Property Report:

Nothing new to report. Tom Rivers was not in attendance.

Stewardship/Witness/Worship Report:

Nothing new to report.

Events/Fundraising:

Will cover in New and Old Business.

Old Business:

- 1). Mary Fairbank will set up a meeting for our council to meet with Fairwater Zion council to share ideas.
- 2). Susie Krohn printed the 2026 budget that we had put together. Council looked it over and agreed it was ready to present to the congregation.
- 3). The subject of having a congregational potluck was brought to the council. After discussion, the council decided to bring it to the Annual Congregational meeting to let the congregation decide if they would like to have one.

New Business:

1). Confirmation that the Annual Congregational meeting will be on February 1, 2026 after service. It was also decided that the booklets for the meeting would be handed out after the service the day of the meeting.

2). There was discussion about who and how we would get our financial books audited. A few people were discussed. It was then decided to ask at the Annual Congregational meeting if we had anyone willing to do this task.

3). Council had discussion regarding new council members for the upcoming year. We have one person that we are confident is committed. A few other names came up and we will ask them.

4). After much discussion regarding Soup Suppers during lent council decided we would not do them this year; due to the work load and low attendance.

5). Since we have done so in the past we discussed having a Drive Thru Chili Event in February or March. Again, this tabled for the congregation to decide at the Annual Congregational meeting.

6). Conversation was had regarding filling the Pulpit Supply, mostly concerning non-communion Sundays, as communion Sundays are filled in the near future.

Marlene Connell made a motion to adjourn, Tammy Briskie seconded it. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

Meeting concluded with the council sharing the Lord's Prayer.

Next council meeting is tentatively set for February 9, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.

Sincerely submitted

Tammy Briskie

Secretary