EMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

August 11, 2025

Meeting called to order at 5:08 pm.

Marlene Connell read a devotion to the Council.

Mary Fairbank made a motion to accept the agenda, Marlene Connell seconded it. Motion carried.

Susie Krohn made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting of July 7, 2025, Mary Fairbank seconded it. Motion carried.

President's Report: Mary Fairbank talked about the discussion that took place with the congregation regarding selling the parsonage. More information will need to be gathered and shared with the congregation. At that point it would need to go on a ballot if it is decided to move forward with the idea.

Treasurer's Report: After some discussion Tammy Briskie made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report, Marlene Connell seconded. Motion carried.

Memorial Report: Nothing new to report. The current balance in the Memorial fund is \$835.93.

Property Report: Tom Rivers has installed the new light over the kitchen sink, he needs to reconfigure the switch for it yet. Discussion took place about the soffits on the roofline that need repair. Mary Fairbank will get some phone numbers for handymen companies to help Tom (Rivers) with this project. The front bathroom is making a strange noise. Tom (Rivers) will check this out and call a plumber if necessary. Tom Rivers will be getting in touch with Stuart's Landscaping to get a third estimate for the lawn repair.

Stewardship/Witness/Worship: Marlene Connell will talk with Annette Raube about putting together an Outreach Committee for getting new members.

Events/Fundraising: Council put tentative plans together for Chili supper. It was decided to have it on a Wednesday evening in October. Council decided to have a charge of \$10.00 per person for the event. Date to be confirmed. Tammy Briskie will contact Charlene Strook to ask her to head up a committee to plan and carry out this event.

Old Business:

1). Mary Fairbank will contact John Hutter regarding the gravel parking area project.

- 2). Council made the decision to donate 10% (\$100.00) of the profits from the Strawberry Festival to the Brandon Park project.
- 3). Susie Krohn discussed the subject of our maintenance agreement with Brewer Heating and Cooling. Tom Rivers will check into what other businesses would charge for this kind of maintenance agreement to see if we can get a better deal for this service.

New Business:

- 1). Peg Salmela has declined to be a SAM for our church. Peg will continue to be a Pulpit Supply person, the same as she has been doing. She has also agreed to do visits for the homebound and hospital.
- 2). Council had discussion regarding snow plowing for this winter season, we will need to find someone to do this service for our church.
- 3). Council has said yes to Annette Raube's request for a non-member to use our folding chairs. Marlene Connell will let Annette know and work it out with her.
- 4). Susie Krohn received a Menard's rebate (from a church purchase) for \$2.13, This was given to Tom Rivers to use for any repair(s) expense.
- 5). New Council members for the upcoming year were discussed. Marlene Connell and Susie Krohn will be going off the council. We will need a minimum of 2 new council members.
- 6). Council has approved Mary Fairbank's family using the church for a Celebration of Life for her brother.
- 7). Daryl Rahn has been lighting the candles for services. He has informed us that he is no longer able to do so. Council will look into finding someone or more than one person to take over this duty.

Tammy Briskie made a motion to adjourn, Tom Rivers seconded it. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:42 pm.

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

Next Council meeting is September 8, 2025 at 5:00 pm.

Sincerely submitted by:

Tammy Briskie

Secretary