

Silver Lake Council Minutes

Minutes Pending Approval

October 17, 2023

Attendees: Clair Hengesteg, Bonnie Maher, Scott Thompson, Kathy Kreucher, Melanie DeVries, Pastor Randy Baldwin

A. Devotions – Pastor Randy

B. One In Christ Report

- a. Dennis Kreucher encouraged council to start a discussion on the Congregational transition in the next 1-3 years that was discussed with the Synod representative on September 19, 2023
 - i. Options – Remain with One In Christ
 - ii. Branch out on our own and try to get new pastor
 - iii. Close the church
- b. One in Christ hosted Family Fun Night with Carnival games – 300+ people walked through
- c. OIC 2024 Budget – Unavailable at this time. Bethany is working on some changes
- d. Mission Sunday – November 19- parish wide – Sheila Burger – Refugee Resettlement – Offering will be to help war torn countries – Pastor Bill will research the best way to get the money to these areas.

C. Pastor Randy's Report

D. Secretary's report – motioned by Scott and seconded by Clair

E. Treasurer's report – motioned by Clair and seconded by Scott

F. Old Business

- a. Silver Lake Fellowship Opportunity in November – November 26 – Everyone is invited to help put up the Christmas tree and have maid rites afterward. Everyone encouraged to bring a dish
- b. Designation for November's noisy offering – Refugee war torn fund (TBD)
- c. Parsonage – Serve Pro had best rates for cleaning – no known start date. We are considering getting coded dead bolt for parsonage as well.

G. New Business

- a. OIC Budget Proposal – Congregational Meeting – Tentative date – December 3, 2023
- b. OIC commitment moving forward – brief discussion started.
- c. Christmas Eve Worship Service – Is on a Sunday this year – Clair made motion to have evening worship only with no Sunday morning service – seconded by Melanie
- d. LP – Scott reported that Knudtson only charges \$1.40 or less depending on current rates for churches. No need to contract. Bonnie will double check on contract need.
- e. January – our insurance rates go up \$600
- f. Bonnie suggested pulling down chain in front parking area and fence by west side of parsonage driveway to make mowing easier – motioned by Melanie – seconded by Clair

H. Adjourn – motion by Scott – seconded by Melanie

I. Lord's Prayer

J. Respectfully submitted, Melanie DeVries Secretary.