

**St. Peter's Lutheran Church – Big Falls**

**Trustee Meeting – Monday, December 9, 2024**

**Present: Krista Enoch, Shawn Bazile, Nate Bonikowske, Joe Stuhr,  
Patty Beck (by phone), Jackie Baldwin. Guest: Sue Miller**

Shawn Bazile called the meeting to order at 4:58m.

Joe Stuhr opened with prayer.

The secretary's report for the 11/12/24 Trustee Meeting was reviewed. Nate Bonikowske motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Stuhr seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The financial reports for November 2024 were reviewed. Stuhr made a motion to approve the financial reports as printed. Bonikowske seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Old Business:

A recap of the call committee's search for a pastor was given. They are not pursuing any of the applications received at this time.

Jackie Baldwin presented a mock-up of a Calendar Raffle for St. Peter's. Details were discussed including dates, amounts and wording.

St. Peter's was approved to have a concession stand at the Labor Day Duck Races in Big Falls for the coming fall.

New Business:

Sue Miller addressed the council regarding using the artifacts that were saved from the previous church building to create a display of our congregation's history. Sue mentioned displaying the stained-glass windows that were saved from the previous building.

Advertising Christmas Services in newspapers and on the radio was discussed. We will advertise with the Marion Advertiser.

A financial appeal from LCMC was discussed. Krista Enoch made a motion to send a total of \$1,000 with \$500 coming from the council's portion of benevolence and \$500 coming from general checking account. Bazile seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Baldwin is currently unable to access the church's website to make changes and it has been an issue for several months. Bazile made a motion to give Bazile the ability to take down the website for the time being. Stuhr seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Stuhr made a motion to allocate the \$102.13 in the Operation Christmas Child fund to the AGAPE Center who is currently running a Christmas initiative. Bonikowske seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Bazile made a motion to allocate the \$281.50 from the Youth Ministries fund, the \$250.00 from the Youth Conference fund and the \$980.21 from the TEC fund to the Youth Group for Quake. Bonikowske seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Enoch made a motion to allocate the funds from the Bazile Family, the Fournier Family, the Men's Group and the Ladies' Aide that had been set aside for general use and/or the generator fund to the furnace loan. Bonikowske seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Bazile made a motion to move forward with Dave Barnick for the 2024-2025 snowplow contract. Stuhr seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The rental fee for the Town of Wyoming was discussed. Stuhr made a motion to keep carry the rates forward from 2024 to 2025. Enoch seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Christmas appreciation gifts for staff, teachers and service leaders were discussed. Bazile made a motion to give the six Sunday School teachers \$35 each, the four support staff \$65 each and Lee Rambo \$115. Bonikowske seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Rambo is working on getting a new battery for the automated handicap door at the church.

The signup sheet for members intending to vote at the annual meeting will be put out for the December 22, 2024 service.

The annual meeting will be announced at the January 12, 2025 and January 19, 2025 services. A letter will be mailed to church members prior to the annual meeting.

Two trustee positions will be up for election/re-election at the 2025 annual meeting.

The Annual Church Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, January 6, 2025, at 12:00pm with a potluck to be held between service and the annual meeting.

The next Trustee Meeting is set for Monday, January 6, 2025, at 5:00pm at St. Peter's.

Stuhr made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:58pm. Bonikowske seconded the motion.

Submitted by Krista Enoch