

## Bethel Lutheran Church Council Meeting Draft

July 15,2025

**Attendees:** Randy Baskerville, Jill Duncan, Gary Helgemo, Jim Herr, Tom Hooper, Steve Horton, Sarah Manro, Steve Middleton, Mary Jo Mikulski, Jeff Reising, Linc Schneider, Harold Seaman, Annette Lang, Karen Moffitt, Logan Wells, Lon Mills.

Meeting was called to order at 6:31PM

Devotion was given by Pastor DJ

**Motion** was made to accept the minutes for June 19<sup>th</sup>2025; moved by Sarah Manro, seconded by Steve Horton, motion passed unanimously.

**Motion** was made to accept the treasurer's report for the month of June; moved by Gary Helgemo, seconded by Steve Horton, motion passed unanimously.

### **Marilyn's Place**

**Motion** was made by Gary Helgemo that Glen at Marilyn's Place be reimbursed for his incurred expenses of \$2,800.00 to keep Marilyn's Place open through July of 2025. The motion was seconded by Steve Horton.

There was discussion as to whether Glen spent his own money or if he spent money from Marilyn's Place budget.

**There was an edit made to the motion** made by Steve Horton to for Glen to be reimbursed for any out-of-pocket expenses he has incurred for Marilyn's Place through July of 2025. This edit was accepted by Gary.

There was discussion about where the money should come from, and it was decided that the money would come from the general fund.

**The final motion** states that the council will retroactively reimburse Glen for costs incurred in 2025 for utilities, capped at \$2,800.00; that came from his personal funds nor funds from Marilyn's Place budget, with supporting documentation prior to the check being written. The motion passed 7 to 5.

There was a lot of discussion about how to use all the resources available to Bethel. There is a need to look at long-term planning as to how to use the farmhouse and the property that is currently being farmed to explore all the options of these resources. There was discussion about having Wess Wells to form a new group for the long-term planning committee. Wess will be invited to attend the next council meeting.

### **Officer Elections**

Nominations were taken for office of president to the council. Officer's positions are for a minimum of 1-year term with a 2-year maximum. Logan Wells was nominated.

**Motion** was made to close the nomination for president to council was made by Randy Baskerville and seconded by Jill Duncan. Motion passed unanimously. Logan Wells is president of the church council.

**Motion** was made for vice president of council. Jill Duncan and Steve Horton were nominated for the position. Motion was made to close the nomination for vice president. Sara Manro moved and seconded by Randy Baskerville.

A written ballot was taken. Steve Horton was elected as Vice President.

**Motion** was made for nomination as secretary. Tom Hopper was nominated and elected as secretary.

There was discussion that an Individual could volunteer to be a scribe to take minutes at the council meetings. They would have no other authority than to take notes and transcribe the notes into minutes for the church council.

### **Ministries/Election**

Tom Hopper- will oversee the ministry of finance.

Sara Manro- will over see the ministry of youth.

Annette Lang- will oversee the ministry of evangelism.

Gary Helgemo- will oversee the ministry of fellowship.

Randy Baskerville- will oversee the ministry of missions

Steve Horton- will oversee the ministry of communications.

Jill Duncan- will oversee the care ministry.

Karen Moffit- will oversee the ministry of stewardship.

Logan Wells- will oversee the ministry of small groups.

Lon Mills- will oversee Christian education.

Jim Herr- will oversee the ministry of property

### **Point of order**

At the executive committee meeting in June of 2025, the Executive Council accepted Karen Moffitt's offer to be on council. Because she was not a nominee before the congregational meeting was held, the council has appointed her for one year until the next congregational meeting in June of 2026 when she will be voted on to complete the final 2 years of her 3-year term on council.

**Motion** to adjourn the meeting was made at 8:00pm

The next council meeting will be Tuesday August 19, 2025, at 6:30pm