

July 28, 2021

**ROSER MEMORIAL COMMUNITY CHURCH
COUNCIL MEETING
July 28, 2021**

In Attendance: Glenda Beck, Jim Bennington, Beth Bernet, Cherrie Birkman, David Cheshire, Doug & Dianne DeLong, Andy Devries, Dale & Barb Dohner, Nancian Hall, Gary Hickerson, Cathy Meehan, Linda Moore, Peggy Nash, Gretchen Petrasky, Cass Robertson, Rev. Dirk Rodgers, Jeanette Rothberg, John & Sharon Skladany, Lorna Smilde, Ron Vandeman, Dick Walter, Alan Ward.

Chair of the Congregation, Glenda Beck called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Meeting was held remotely by Zoom.

Joys & Concerns were shared. Pastor Dirk Rodgers opened the meeting in prayer.

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES:

- **MOTION by Peggy Nash to approve the minutes from 6/23/21 as published.**

2nd Linda Moore

MOTION PASSED

REPORTS PRESENTED - IN ADDITION TO THE PUBLISHED JULY 2021 B/C REPORTS

Senior Pastor – Rev. Dr. Dirk Rodgers

- Dirk will train for Stephen Ministry Leader in August.
- Dirk began having conversations with individuals on communications. Working to develop a committee to review Roser messaging,
- Working on a fall plan for discipleship and Terrific Tuesdays with possible on-line participation.
- Looking at options to begin a contemporary service in the fall.
- Outreach to AME to reach grade-schoolers and with Jonathan and Robbyn to reach out to college students to develop student connections in the community.

Nominating – Barb Dohner

- Jim Akin, Financial Secretary has resigned - they are looking for a replacement for his position. Jim was thanked for his service.

Trustees – Alan Ward

- Thrift Shop remodel has been handed off to the Guild to reorganize and redecorate.

Altar Committee – Cass Robertson from Claire Quillin's report

- Met with Alan Ward regarding the new cushions for the Chapel. They have received a new sample and will be reviewing with Gail Travis upon her return soon.
- They also discussed general maintenance.

Deacons – John Skladany

- Have not met. Will meet in person in September when they will discuss BayFest participation.

Stephen Ministers – Lorna Smilde

- Not meeting during the summer.
- Will provide GriefShare beginning in September
- Cathy Laundry will also train for Stephen Ministry Leader.

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Guild – Cherrie Birkman

- Thanks to Alan Ward and Trustees for all their help finishing the major work on the Thrift Shop.
- They will not take any donations during the month of August - the garage is full.
- They hope to open the Thrift Shop in October or before, if possible.

Library – Dianne DeLong

- The Library is open. Sherry Oehler is managing.
- Little Library is up and running in front of the Chapel. It appears people have looked at it. They hope to add children's books to it. Any donations may be made for it by placing the books in a basket in the library. These do not need to be religious books.

Missions – Peggy Nash

- No in-person meetings during the summer.
- June MOM was Mercy Ships. They received \$931 from the congregation plus \$2000 Missions donation plus a \$5000 anonymous donation for a crew fee.
- July MOM was Agape Flights.
- August MOM will be Bethel.

BREd - Beth Bernet

- Family Fun Night - 9/18/21 4:00-7:00 PM, - need volunteers to help and bake cakes.
- They will participate in BayFest in October, includes children's activities
- They will meet August 8th.
- Operation Christmas Child will be in November.
- They will participate in the Christmas Parade.
- Bethlehem Walk is Sunday, 12/5/21 after the concert.
- Still looking for a leader for Adult Sunday School.

Membership – Sharon Skladany

- A new member joined whom they welcome officially later.

MUSIC – Jeanette Rothberg

- Met July 12th.
- Choir will sing through August. Rehearsals will continue on Thursday evenings. They are considering dropping the choir robes going forward.
- Craig and Brandon will take their vacations at the same time as they cannot do each other's job and they can hire one person to replace both of them.
- Craig has scheduled 2021-22 concerts.
 - Erinne Abu will give a Christmas concert on 12/5/21
 - Ditchfield Family Singers January 30th.
 - Brandon Kouri February 20th.
 - Barry & the Boomers March 20th.

Financial Reports – David Cheshire and Jim Bennington and Gary Hickerson

- June was better than budgeted. Income was down less than budgeted, and expenses were under budget. YTD assets are slightly down but total revenue was up and expenses were down, so overall financial status is ahead of budget; Roser still has a comfortable reserve.
- YTD average weekly giving increased and greatly closed the gap from last year.
- Investments are holding their own and are well balanced.

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- Investments

| | 6/30/2021 | YE 2020 |
|------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Endowment Investments: | \$415.9K | \$386.4K |
| Oper / Emer Reserves | <u>\$381.5K</u> (\$115.5K in cash) | <u>\$329.8K</u> |
| Total Investments | \$797.4K | \$716.2K |

- Financials Report – As of June 30, 2021 (compiled from detail reports):

Executive Summary of YTD Operating Income and Expenses

| | 2021 | 2020 |
|------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Operating Income | \$261,811 | \$290,507 |
| Unrestricted Memorials | <u>\$102,550</u> | <u>\$80,712</u> |
| Total Income | \$364,361 | \$371,219 |
| Operating Expenses | \$322,737 | \$305,329 |
| Capital Improvements | <u>\$1,329</u> | <u>\$0</u> |
| Total Expenses | <u>\$324,066</u> | <u>\$305,329</u> |
| Net Operating Income | \$40,295 | \$65,890 |
| <u>Specials (Designated)</u> | 2021 | 2020 |
| Income | \$72,423 | \$66,635 |
| Expenses | <u>\$114,198</u> | <u>\$48,914</u> |
| Net Special Income | -\$41,775 | \$17,721 |

Statement of Financial Position:

Total Liabilities and Net Assets as of June 30, 2021:

| | 2021 | 2020 |
|--|----------------|--------------|
| | \$1,117,487.04 | \$842,567.34 |

OLD BUSINESS

- Food Pantry – no report but reported to be doing very well.
- AV Equipment - Jim Bennington reported 2 new TV's have been received, microphones and a new video camera. Awaiting 2 camera systems that are backordered.

NEW BUSINESS

- Blood drive scheduled for September 11, 2021.
- Craft Fair is scheduled for 11/6/21.

Next Meeting: The next regular meeting of Council is scheduled for Wednesday, August 25, 2021 online at 7:00 PM.

Adjourn / Prayer: The meeting was adjourned at 7:44 PM, ending with prayer by Pastor Dirk Rodgers.

Minutes submitted by Cass Robertson, Clerk of Council