

**ROSER MEMORIAL COMMUNITY CHURCH
COUNCIL MEETING
May 24, 2023**

In Attendance: Glenda Beck, Jim Bennington, Beth Bernet, David Cheshire, Andy Devries, Dan Divine, Dale & Barb Dohner, Dick Gilmore, Gary Hickerson, Jean Knopp, Cathy Meehan, Bill Marini, , Peggy Nash, Sherry Oehler, Vanessa Oney, Gretchen Petraske, Cass Robertson, Rev. Dr. Dirk Rodgers, Darrel Shinn, John & Sharon Skladany, Ron Vandeman, Dick Walter, Alan Ward, Randy Zion.

CALL TO ORDER: Cathy Meehan, Chair of the Congregation, called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm. Meeting was held remotely by Zoom.

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

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES from 04/26/23

There were no corrections to the minutes.

MOTION by John Skladany to accept the minutes from 4/26/23 as published.

2nd Andy DeVries

MOTION PASSED

REPORTS PRESENTED - In addition to the published May 2023 B/C Reports submitted.

Pastor – Pastor Dr. Dirk Rodgers

- June 4th 8:30 service will move to the Chapel.
- Vacation June 25-July 2, 2023.
- Will play one contemporary song at the end of the 10:00 am service. The choir will come down to the pews so they can interact with the video. This was a joint decision between the Music Committee, Deacons, Pastor Dirk, Emily, Craig, and Brandon.
- There were a few problems during the Sunday service that occurred when Emily wasn't there due an injury, and Matt was called to Fellowship Hall to trouble-shoot a sound problem. Pastor Dirk explained they are aware of the problems and are working on a back-up plan to cover for missing people.

Nominating Committee - Barb Dohner

- Mike Oney has resigned as Vice Chair of Missions. They are seeking a replacement.

Trustees – Alan Ward

- Received the final, certified outdoor stage blue prints from the manufacturer. The city requires a general contractor to oversee the construction. John Fara has agreed to do the job.

- Alan explained Blue Ribbon Events are 3rd party events, such as art shows, that have requested to use space at Roser for their events. They manage everything. There were several questions. Alan will follow up.

Guild – Barb Dohner

- Will resume meeting again in November
- Thrift Shop is running well.

BREd - Beth Bernet

- Met Saturday to decorate for VBS.
- Looking forward to VBS. List of needed supplies sent to congregation.

Music - Sherry Oehler

- Musical play “Martin and the Doors” by youth May 12th, 2023. Seven children participated. 74 people attended (plus cast). They collected \$223. All involved were greatly appreciated and recognized by Sherry. Kids asked when they could do it again. The children went to Brookdale Palma Sola and sang for the residents.
- Instrument maintenance is going on a schedule. Expenses paid through Specials fund.
- Craig and Brandon gone June 18-21, 2023 for continuing education. Cynthia Frye will play for Sunday worship services.
- Ongoing projects include the 2024 Concert Series, Music Appreciation Sunday, and potentially a Music Retreat.
- Plan to meet in June and July.

Stephen Ministers – Pastor Dirk Rodgers

- Dick and Betty Gilmore were commissioned as Stephen Ministers on Mother’s Day.

Membership – Sharon Skladany

- New member Sharon Rowe joined.

Library – Sherry Oehler

- Sherry is managing the “Little Library” over the summer.

Stewardship – Randy Zion

- Will not meet over the summer.

Financial Reports - David Cheshire, Gary Hickerson, Jim Bennington

- David reported Roser is doing well financially.
 - Dr. French annual bequest was received about \$64K.
 - May qualify for additional funds through “Employee Retention Credit” using unspent Covid funds. Matt sent in the application.
- Gary reported April 2023 operating income was over budget and expenses were under budget. Net income was over budget having a gain rather than the anticipated loss.
- Jim reported investments are down about 15% from 2022 YE.
- 2023 contributions are running \$20K ahead of 2021.
- Financial reviewer looked at the Guild. Roser will donate \$1000 to Inspiration Academy in recognition of his services.

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| <u>Investments</u> | 04/30/2023 | YE 2022 |
| Long-Term Sustaining: | \$400.8K | \$376.4K |
| Oper / Emer Reserves | <u>\$344.9K</u> (\$134.1K cash) | <u>\$326.7K</u> |
| Total Investments | \$739.1K | \$703.1K |

- Financials Report – As of 4/30/2023 (compiled from detail reports):

<u>Executive Summary of YTD Operating Income and Expenses</u>		
	04/30/2023	2022
Operating Income	\$221,774	\$188,205
Undesignated Memorials	\$17,281	\$1200
Total Income	\$239,055	\$189,405
Operating Expenses	\$251,966	\$212,895
Capital Improvements	<u>\$4,023</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Total Expenses	<u>\$255,988</u>	<u>\$212,895</u>
Net Operating Income	-\$16,934	-\$23,490
<u>Specials (Designated)</u>		
	2023	2022
Income	\$62,297	\$45,060
Expenses	<u>\$62,800</u>	<u>\$39,340</u>
<u>Net Specials Income</u>	-\$503	<u>\$5,721</u>

Statement of Financial Position:

Total Liabilities and Net Assets as of April 30, 2023:

	2023	2022
	\$971,767.80	\$971,162.44

Roser Food Pantry – Cathy Meehan

- 62 bags were distributed in April (56 in January, 42 in February, and 88 in March).
- \$3911 was spent on the Food Recipient Program in April.
- Blessing Box is refreshed 3-4 times per week.

OLD BUSINESS

- Stage: Jim Bennington reported he should get a quote for the stage in the next 1-2 weeks. Anticipates the need to fundraise \$200K.

NEW BUSINESS - NONE

Next Meeting: The next regular meeting of Roser Council is scheduled for Wednesday, June 28, 2023 online at 7:00 PM.

Adjourn / Prayer: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:43 PM, Pastor Dirk ended the meeting with prayer.

Minutes submitted by Cass Robertson, Clerk of Council

