

**Living Hope Lutheran Church**  
Council Meeting Minutes  
January 11, 2023  
7:30pm

1. Attendance: Pastor Daniel Flucke, Jen Eason, Joe Georgeson, Brad LeDuc, Gary Myrah, Patti Luedtke, Shannon Stoker
2. Opening Prayer/Devotion was part of the Joint Council meeting.
3. Approve [11/29/22 minutes](#): J. Georgeson motioned to approve the minutes as submitted, G. Myrah seconded, no discussion, motion carried. (Minutes found in Living Hope shared Google folder).
4. Financial reports: The Financial reports for November and December of 2022 will be emailed to all Council members within the next several days, please review them and let J. Eason/ J. Georgeson know if you approve or have questions.  
The 2023 Proposed Budget was presented by J. Georgeson for review.  
A motion was made by P. Luedtke, seconded by J. Georgeson to submit the Budget to the congregation at the Annual Meeting on January 22, 2023 for approval.  
J. Georgeson indicates he will develop a powerpoint for the budget presentation. It is noted that there is a budget shortfall, J. Georgeson will encourage the congregation to increase their contributions by 10 % to off-set the short-fall, there is little in the budget that can change to decrease the deficit.  
No further discussion, motion carried to submit the proposed budget to the congregation as submitted.  
  
A motion was made by J. Georgeson, seconded by G. Myrah to designate \$21,500.00 of Pastor Daniel's salary as housing allowance for 2023. No discussion, motion carried.
5. Pastor's Report: See submitted report for January. Pastor Daniel states that Christ the King has a new Church Office Administrator.  
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6. Equipping the Saints  
G. Myrah reported that the manual for this stewardship campaign is located in the Google drive. G. Myrah, C. Lear and Pastor Daniel watched a presentation by the Synod regarding the campaign. G. Myrah suggests that a committee be formed to address stewardship for LH, the capital projects for LH and stewardship for the Synod. The Synod has videos that can be used during worship. The suggested timeline would be 4 weeks with the commitment Sunday being the 5<sup>th</sup> week.  
G. Myrah made a motion, B. LeDuc seconded, to establish an Equipping the Saints committee and begin a campaign on Sunday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, ending on March 19<sup>th</sup> to

address stewardship for LH and the Synod and capital projects at LH. The financial goal of the campaign would be to raise \$50,000. Information regarding the committee/campaign will be presented at the Annual Meeting on January 22, 2023. The committee will be members of the Church Council and any interested congregational members would be welcome. Motion carried

Committee meeting for Equipping the Saints will be after worship on January 29, Pastor Daniel plans to attend.

7. Door/concrete replacement

B. LeDuc reported that he and C. Lear had met with Hometown Glass again to have them review the project and update their bid.

A motion was made by B. LeDuc, seconded by G. Myrah, to recommend to the congregation at the Annual Meeting installation of new doors with an accessibility feature at a cost of \$19,210; Hometown Glass would do the installation.

Motion carried.

Prior to the door installation, electrical work will need to be completed. B. Leduc will research need for a permit and discuss with electricians what work will need to be completed and the timeline.

The concrete pads for the new shed/garage and in front of the dumpsters was discussed. No action will be taken at this time, further information is needed regarding costs, location, etc.

8. Committee Updates

S. Stoker states she has received all of the Committee Reports for the Annual Meeting. She will be working on the agenda for the meeting. J. Eason will work with J. Georgeson on a power point for the Annual Meeting

9. New Business

No new business at this time.

10. Next Council Meeting will be February 28, 2023 at Living Hope

Next Joint Council meeting will be April 19, 2023 at Living Hope

Closing Prayer

Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,  
Patti Luedtke