**St. Paul’s United Church of Christ-Malone, WI**

**Minutes of the Church Council**

**January 10, 2018**

Council members present: Cara Wagner, Ann Martin, Joe Sattler, Rick Stellick, Leah Burg, Jason Hoefler and Nancy Beckman. Kelly Groeschl & Stephanie Shepherd were absent. Pastor Dan Schultz was also present.

President Cara Wagner called the meeting to order at 6 pm.

Pastor Dan led the council in an opening. He gave his report of meetings, visitations, newsletters, etc. and it is attached at the end.

Nancy Beckman presented the secretary notes of the December 13th 2017 meeting. Rick made a motion to approve both reports as printed. Jason seconded the motion, motion carried.

Ann Martin presented the December’s treasure’s report. Ann noted that we received our association dues for 2018 and they are $4.50 per member. Following discussion, it was decided to send $1,000 in for our 2017 OCWM commitment as no money had been paid yet for 2017. Jason made a motion to approve the report as printed. Rick seconded the motion, motion carried.

**Committee Reports:**

**Worship & Pastoral Relations Committee**—Ann Martin

* The Worship Committee met on January 8th.
* Lent was discussed and Pastor Dan will lead discussions of the Old Testament scriptures for our Wednesday Lenten discussions. Soup and fixing will be served at 6:30 with discussion at 7. Sign-up sheets will be used.
* Next meeting date is March 5.

**Property Committee—**

* Following an intensive round of mice traps, we hopefully have removed the last mouse for the foreseeable future.
* Jason met with Tim from Asplundh tree trimming regarding the trimming of the trees on the west side of the road. Five ash trees and 1 maple will need trimming.

**Christian Education**

* The Sunday School Advent/Christmas program on December 24th went well.

**Women’s Fellowship**—Nancy Beckman

* The next meeting is February 19th.

**Technology Committee**—Ann Martin

* Did not meet since the last meeting.

**Mission Committee**—Nancy Beckman

* Next meeting is January 29th. Sue Schmitz, Parish Nurse from Agnesian will be our guest.

**Future Building Committee**—Nancy Beckman

* The committee toured Peace Lutheran Church in Rosendale on December 14. The parsonage was appraised at approximately $175,000. A meeting is set with Capelle & Diedrich for Jan 24th. The committee plans to give a verbal report at the annual meeting.

**Old Business:**

* All the reports needed for the Annual Meeting booklet have been submitted to Marilyn Groening. The church directory will be included.
* 2018 budget was presented again with updated commitment numbers. Rick made a motion to accept the revised budget. Joe seconded the motion, motion carried.
* Seven members have agreed to be on the Advisory (Pastoral Relations) Committee. They will meet with Pastor Dan and Jane Anderson on February 7th for their first meeting.
* January 21st is the next pot luck following church. Tables will be set up downstairs after church on the 15th.
* Christmas decorations will be taken down after church on January 14.
* Joe made a motion to give Pastor Dan the computer purchased as his own in place of a 2017 cost of living increase. Rick seconded the motion, motion carried.

**New Business:**

* Beth Miller has been in conversation with Pastor Dan regarding her and others form Artesia Beach’s concern regarding Tom Tomter and his rapidly progressing dementia issues. They are working with an attorney to get him a guardian and conservator as he has no relatives. As a church, we have been asked to look out for him and perhaps provide some meals and laundry service or other help. Pastor Dan will be relaying this information to all the church committees and using a sign-up sheet to get him some help.
* Installation of officers will be Sunday, February 25. The next council meeting date will be set by the new council meeting following the Annual Meeting on January 28th. January 27th 2019 was suggested for the 2019 annual meeting date to be published in the coming report.
* Communion Bread—December 21 - Nancy, February 4 - Jason.

Joe made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Jason. Motion carried.

Respectively submitted,

Nancy Beckman Council Secretary

**Pastor’s Report January 2018**

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| Visits | 4 |
| Meetings | 5 |
| Church:  Individual:  Community of Practice  Outside (Suicide Prevention) | 2  1  1  1 |
| Worship Services | 4 |
| Midweek Apostles  Northeast Updates | 4  2 |
| Year-End Reports |  |