

Bethel Council Minutes
January 12, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT: Pr. Ode, Kathy Carrow -President, Doug Bauer- Vice President, Marlys Pickrell- Treasurer, Susan Logen- Secretary, Carol Hovick- At large, Dave Salmon- At large, Elia Smith- At large, Lynlee Ritchie- At large

ABSENT: Scott DeLap– at large

Meeting opened at: 7PM

Devotions: Sue Logen

Prayers for friends of Bethel: Thanksgiving that Elia got her CT results everything is clear, no fluid on her lungs. Kathy thanksgiving that Johns' surgery went well & her arm is healing. Lillian Routledge & family. Ruby Hoff seems to be doing well.

Minutes: November 10th 2016 approved as submitted. There was no meeting in December.

Financial Report: Total Income __November \$8,218.29; December \$12,521.86
Total Expenses _ November \$15,211.09; December \$12,622.23
Net Loss __November \$6,992.80; December \$100.37

Marlys met with her financial person & has some information on possible investments. Stock market would need to be a long-term investment. Another idea is the Mission investment fund (MIF); they have different types of accounts which includes set rates and only need to invest for a year or two at a time. MIF is not FDIC insured. The Savings checking account is basically zero interest. We really need to split things between different types of accounts. We all need to look at possible investments for the \$ we have. We should try to be able to report to the congregation by May that we have diversified.

Unfinished business-

Lights in the lower parking lot have been fixed.

Education Update: The evening bible study last night went well.

Sign update: The guy reported that the parts are in so he is building it. Will probably cost about \$500 to put a sign up with worship times in place of the sign that has the address.

Sound system update: it is installed & works. Ignacia is trained & is using it. They should have their extra sound stuff out in a couple of weeks. Other groups will be trained to use it so the s/b able to get their sound stuff out soon.

“Backyard” tree removal is done the tree is gone the wood is gone & the stump has been ground down. Now we can have the parking lot cleaned. Removal of the Tree cost was about \$4,500.00.

Annual Report: we need to get this out in May, every committee needs to turn in a report to Judy.

Council Representative to Nominating Committee: Doug Bauer & Marlys Pickrell volunteered.

Meeting adjourned at 8pm with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted Sue Logen

Next month's meeting 2/9/17