



**Council Meeting
Monday, October 17, 2022**

Call to Order: 6:32 pm by Mackenthun

Establish a quorum/present: Pastor Alicia, Gieseke, Mackenthun, Nybo, Steinhoff Smith, Hauck, Schoenecker, Smithson, and Walser

Devotion by Gieseke

Motion to Approve Consent Agenda by Steinhoff Smith, second Hauck, motion passed

Treasurer's Report and Finance Team Update

Financial Health as of September 30, 2022	September 2022 Budget	September 2022 Actual
Revenue	\$52,986	\$32,152
Expenses	\$54,533	\$47,146
Revenue - Expenses	\$-1,547	-\$14,995

Racial Justice Team Update

- The team has been discussing creating signs reading “Love Thy Neighbor. No Exceptions.” with use of HTLC logo/name
- **Motion to allow use of HTLC logo/name on signs, pending research on trademark of proposed wording,** by Gieseke, second Steinhoff Smith, motion passed.

Architect Update

- *Make It Grand* Team has been interviewing with architects, and decided to go with Station 19, as they challenged the team to think outside box
- Will need a congregational vote to approve use of existing funds to hire Station 19

Council Roles at Annual Meeting

2023 Council Mini Retreat

Which date(s) work for everyone?

- Saturday, February 11 (morning)
- Saturday, February 18 (morning)

Proposed 2023 Council Schedule

January 15	Pre-Annual meeting right after church
January 22	Annual Meeting
January 23	Adjusted for Annual Meeting
February 27	Adjusted to 4 th Monday due to President's Day
March 20	
April 17	
May 15	
June 19	
July 17	
August 21	
September 18	
October 16	
November 20	
December 11	Adjusted for year-end budget approval and Annual Meeting Changes

Council meeting at 6:30; Exec team meeting at 5:30

Pastor Ben's Report

(no discussion)

Pastor Alicia's Report

- *Random Acts of Kindness* team looking for council support of t-shirt designs; council in support of proposed designs
- *Kitchen Facility* team has concerns with how to address immediate needs of kitchen; council requesting the team to draft a proposal of what is needed
- **Motion to approve requested Endowment and Mission Outreach funds as stated below**, by Steinhoff Smith, second Schoenecker, motion passed
 - Two *Endowment* applications need Church Council approval:
 - Up to \$2,000 for the Annual Thanksgiving Meal (in person)
 - \$1,000 for Le Sueur County Santa Anonymous
 - *Mission Outreach* requesting Church Council approval for two items:
 - \$185 The Little Free Food Pantry
 - \$1,000 Confirmation Giving Challenge: the worthy recipient to be determined on October 26th after the confirmation teams make their presentation to the Mission Outreach Committee.
- Updated Wedding Policy document
 - The new draft is simpler (15 pages to 3) and has adapted language due to many weddings now being off-site.
 - Further discussion at a later date

Discussion Topic: What is your favorite book?

Closing Prayer: Gieseke

Motion to Adjourn: 7:52 pm by Smithson, second Hauck, motion passed

Next Meeting: November 21, 2022 at 6:30 pm at Pat Remfert's house