

**ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH  
CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING**

**January 10, 2023**

6:15pm –7:15pm

(ZOOM)

**Opening Prayer:** by Pastor Sarah

**Adoption of the Agenda:** On file.

**Motion to approve the agenda: Gary Gardner**

**Seconded: Julie Crespo**

**Approved**

**Election of Officers:**

**Motion to nominate and elect Sue Lassi as Council President for a second term:**

**Mary Young**

**Seconded: Bill Arbogast**

**Approved**

**Motion to nominate and elect Julie Crespo as Vice President: Gary Gardner**

**Seconded: Pastor Sarah**

**Approved**

**Motion to nominate and elect Judd Fodness as Member at Large for a second term:**

**Julie Crespo**

**Seconded: Gary Gardner**

**Approved**

**\*\*2023 Council officers are: Sue Lassi (President), Julie Crespo (Vice-President),  
Judd Fodness (Member at Large)\*\***

**Minutes of Prior Meeting:** On file.

**Motion to approve Prior Meeting Minutes: Gary Gardner**

**Seconded: Mary Young**

**Approved**

**Current Business:**

**Children's Garden:** On File.

**Financial Reports** On File

Beginning balance – \$ 60,127.94

Ending balance -\$ 79,274.65

\*Paid off the trustee loan with the \$25,000 yearly check given by the trustees. The remaining was added to Current.

**Motion to approve the Financial Managers Report: John Stoner**

**Seconded: Bill Arbogast**

**Approved**

**Lead Pastor's Report:** On File

Would like the council to approve \$14000 of her salary to be designated as housing allowance

**Motion to approve designating \$14000 of Pastor Sarah's salary as housing allowance:**  
**Gary Gardner**  
**Seconded: Bill Arbogast**  
**Approved**

**Associate Pastor's Report:** On File

**Staff Reports:**

- Youth Director Reports: No Report
- Cemetery Report: On File

**Other Reports or Petitions:**

**Old Business:**

Council retreat- January 21 or 28<sup>th</sup> 9 am – 3pm

Renovation Committee – Next meeting January 23, 2023

Council Covenant – Pastor Elizabeth would like the council to adopt what we worked on in the December 2022 meeting.

**Motion to approve the Council Covenant: Julie Crespo**

**Seconded: Jill Busch**

**Approved**

Research Committee of unmarked graves- Mary Young had some contact information and will send information to Deanna.

**New Business:**

- † February Council Opening Prayer person: Beth Ellen Walters
- † 2023 Calendar for Council- February Meeting will be moved to the first Tuesday of February( 7<sup>th</sup>). December's Meeting will be the first Tuesday of December (5<sup>th</sup>)
- † Have in person meetings 3 times a year (April/August/December)

**Motion to Adjourn.**

**Motion: Gary Gardner**

**Seconded: Judd Fodness**

**Approved**

Pastor Sarah closed the meeting with a prayer.

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Council Attendees: Bill Arbogast, Julie Crespo, Cindy Williamson, John Stoner, Mary Young  
Sue Lassi, Pastor Sarah Keilholtz, Judd Fodness, Pastor Elizabeth, Jill Busch

Council Unexcused: Beth Ellen Walters

Elder Attendee: Gary Gardner

Non-Council Attendee: Terry Smith, Tracy Baxter

Non-Council Excused:, Crissy Switzer

Respectfully submitted,  
Deanna Kendall, Recording Secretary