

# Faith Lutheran Church Congregational Council Meeting

## August 8, 2023

**Attendance (“P” = present)**

Sally Avenson - P Kay Brossard - P Jamie Estill - P Greg John - P Linda Mihalov - P	Ralph Minor - Absent Jim Musar - P Diane Machatka - Absent Jill Richmond - P Theo Roe - P	Mark Strom – P  Shannyn Fuerst - P Wally Powelson - P
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<b>Topic</b>	<b>Discussion and Action Items</b>
Call to Order	Jamie Estill
Devotional	Jim Musar led our caring conversation.
Approval of Minutes	Minutes for July 2023 were approved as distributed
Finance Committee and Financial Report Review	<b>Wally Led the Discussion</b> The monthly financial summary shows a downward shift. We need to be aware that this is in spite of not spending on all of our planned obligations this year, having not yet filled the part time staff position. Consider and discuss again next month.
Maple Leaf Tiny House Village	Council discussed the proposed Low Income Housing Initiative (LIHI) MOU. Faith would like to receive from LIHI for its review a list of all churches that sponsor its villages, and an updated MOU template. We would like to talk with the other churches about their experience before signing any MOU. We will not agree to signing any land agreement or lease with LIHI. Council finds that Faith’s proposed role with LIHI is still unclear. The tiny House Village working group now comprises David Foster-Koth, Kay Brossard, Mark Strom, and Jim Musar.
Staffing	Council discussed the future part-time position. It could be filled with either a lay or rostered leader. This person would have theological as well as coordinating skills, and be a bridge between external organizations and the church. This should be a clear leader who doesn't need too much hand holding. Members agreed that we want to find the RIGHT person, not just A person.
Prayer/Adjourn	Pastor Shannyn led us in prayer before we adjourned.

Submitted by Pastor Shannyn Fuerst, acting secretary