

Elder mtg July 6, 2021

All elder members present at 6:30

Meeting started at 6pm in order to meet with the BOD re: the possible purchase of the parking behind the building. We had been approached to give up our easement due to an offer on the lot to build a building. BOD decided it would be best to retain our easement and offer a one time offer with no negotiations to buy the lot, pending congregational approval. Dave, Pastor Cory & Pastor Brandon thought that was the best plan also and gave the BOD the Elders ok. Jeff and Taylor could not be there at 6pm.

Peg Wittmeier had asked to visit with our board, and so was invited to join us at 6:30. She just wanted to let us know about the amount of counseling she does with those who have experience sexual trauma. She shared some statistics that she is aware of and just asked that we be aware and be praying for her and those that she counsels. Prayer was said for Peggy by Taylor.

Minutes from June 15<sup>th</sup> were read by Jeff. Pastor Cory noted an error in that we did not discuss the upcoming sermon. Jeff will amend the minutes to reflect that. Taylor motioned to accept with the correction, Cory 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carries.

Pastor's reports Cory mentioned that in addition to his written report: Mike Hofer from the City, said we could use the vault as a book stall. Just need to block door open, in order to protect from anyone getting injured by the very large and heavy door.

Brandon had a written report & talked about the sermon he will preach this coming Sunday.

Old Business:

Brandon reported on sex offenders - didn't see anyone that has been in church.

Communion discussed how it went and maybe change for next time.

Worship team discussion with Pastor Cory mentioning that he will help plan and coordinate the worship team on weeks when Doug and Larry are unavailable. He would not lead musically - just organize and help pick songs.

New Business

VBS – discussion We do not have the number of volunteers plus one key helper withdrew, and Chrissy now has to work that week. Both pastors do not feel it is wise to try and pull it off at this time with VBS dates so close. Brandon and Cory will organize a volunteer meeting to plan an alternative, more manageable event that will be designed to reach the whole family and not just children.

Coffee Shop:

Cynthia is moving and needs to be replaced. It is felt that it is a worthwhile ministry. Cory and Brandon will be organizing a volunteer meeting to cast vision and make plans for keeping the shop open.

Ministry Safe Training- Agreed to purchase the training subscription and the Elders will go through it. Then pick key people to go through it until all workers/volunteers were trained. Pastor Brandon said it was a very telling study and felt it is very important for the safety of our children. We believe this was a good first step in taking responsibility for our flock in a time when there is a lot of sexual confusion and trauma in the culture.

July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Next meeting.

Adjourned by agreement from all.

Jeff Herron  
Recorder