

**Bethany Lutheran Church**  
**2011 Church Council Meeting Minutes**  
**December 13, 2011**

The regular monthly meeting of the Bethany Lutheran Church Council was held on Tuesday, December 13, 2011, at 7:10pm, in Room 210 with President Ron Gusé presiding. Members present included Ron Gusé, Heather Kekstadt, Cathy Evans, Pastor Ron Glusenkamp, Dan George, Del Hock, Derek Birznieks, Pastor Ruth Ann Loughry, Marie Friedemann, David Scott, Bill King, Ted Ziemann, Kevin McAuliffe, Joel Halvorson, David Scott, Bryan Haugen, Brenda Greenwald, Glenn Truglio, Intern Adam Butler, Jerry Beabout, and David Furgason. Becky Godec, Amy Meissner, and Peg Kirchner were excused. The meeting opened with a prayer by Pastor Ruth Ann at 7:10pm.

**Addition to Agenda:** Council members to help with new members class, Motion B about approving minutes from the congregational meeting, remove Andy's part of the agenda

**Changes to Minutes:** None

**Reports:**

November Financial Reports-Period 5—Joel Halvorson  
Pastor's Reports- Pastor Ron Glusenkamp and Pastor Ruth Ann Loughry  
Bethany Calendar and Schedule for 2012 – Pastor Ruth Ann Loughry  
Consecration Sunday Update – Joel Halvorson  
FC Savings Request report – Joel Halvorson  
Housing Allowances for 2012 Report – Joel Halvorson

**Motions:**

Motion A – Marie Friedemann moved and Del Hock seconded to approve the November Council Meeting Minutes. It was approved unanimously.

Motion B – Brenda Greenwald moved and Dan George seconded to approve the minutes from the November congregational meeting. It was approved unanimously.

Motion C – Del Hock moved and Ted Ziemann seconded to approve using FC savings to remodel the bathrooms for \$22,000, as outlined in the report. It was approved unanimously.

Motion D – Derek Birznieks moved and Bryan Haugen seconded to use FC savings to upgrade the choir room lighting for \$3200, and upgrade the youth kitchenette for \$1150 as outlined in the report. It was approved unanimously.

Motion E – Marie Friedemann moved and Cathy Evans seconded to approve the housing allowance for Pastors Ron Glusenkamp, Ruth Ann Loughry, and Paul Gilbertson as outlined in the report. It was approved unanimously.

**Recommendations:**

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**Action Items:**

1. Pastor Ron designated Pastor Ruth Ann to vote in Council and Exec during the time he is on sabbatical.
2. The upcoming new member class will need a council member to help lead.
3. Sessions with Paul Hill and Mary Hinkle Shore will be in lieu of the council retreat this year.
4. The Lenten retreat will be held at Highlands Presbyterian Retreat Center.

**The meeting adjourned with prayer by Pastor Ron at 8:05pm.**

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The outgoing members from the 2011 Council, Kevin McAuliffe and Bill King, were excused.

The first 2012 Council meeting was called to order by Ron Gusé at 8:10pm. Members present included Ron Gusé, Heather Kekstadt, Cathy Evans, Pastor Ron Glusenkamp, Dan George, Del Hock, Derek Birznieks, Pastor Ruth Ann Loughry, Marie Friedemann, David Scott, Ted Ziemann, Joel Halvorson, David Scott, Bryan Haugen, Brenda Greenwald, Glenn Truglio, Intern Adam Butler, Jerry Beabout, and David Furgason. Becky Godec and Amy Meissner were excused.

**Nominations for President:** David Scott and Ron Gusé

Marie Friedemann moved and Ted Ziemann seconded to close nominations for President.

**President:** Ron Gusé

**Nominations for Vice President:** Marie Friedemann

Del Hock moved and Dan George seconded to close nominations for Vice President.

**Vice President:** Marie Friedemann

**Nominations for Treasurer:** Derek Birznieks

David Scott moved and Ted Ziemann seconded to close nominations for Treasurer.

**Treasurer:** Derek Birznieks

**Nominations for Secretary:** Glenn Truglio

Del Hock moved and David Scott seconded to close nominations for Secretary.

**Secretary:** Glenn Truglio

**The meeting was adjourned at 8:21pm.**