

**Hope Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes**  
**August 20, 2022**

Present: Cynthia Cantelon, Jan Nilsson, Gerry Owen, Pastor Terry Richardson, Doug Roszmann, Ray Schultz, Audrey Strauss, Randi Turner

Absent: Peter Clark, Linda Harvey, Pat Hyslop

1. Opening Prayer
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Minutes of June meeting  
**Motion to approve the minutes of June 18, 2022/s/c.**
4. Pastor's Report  
**Motion to receive the report/s/c.**
5. Executive Report
  - a. Due to health issues, Joan Nolting, our finance secretary, is doing her work from home. Council discussed the need for succession planning in all areas. Ray will conduct a survey on the need for succession planning and will report back to council.
  - b. In order to provide quality hybrid service Gerry discussed the option of switching our Wifi provider.
  - c. The building users have been contacted to review and update the Agreement for Use, Contact Information and Liability Insurance Coverage.
  - d. Curt Satre resigned from council.
  - e. Jan Nilsson has replaced Curt Satre as Finance/Stewardship liaison.
6. Correspondence
  - a. Carolyn Iles sent an email thanking the church for storing furniture in the basement meant for community members in need.
  - b. BC Synod sent an email regarding the Land Owner Transparency Registry Update. It is unclear if the church is required to file with the Registry. Gerry Owen will follow up with the Synod.
7. Committee Reports
  - a. Continual Learning: Shirley Forwell. Emailed and attached.
  - b. Fellowship/Membership: Linda Harvey. There was no report.
  - c. Finance/Stewardship: Jan Nilsson. Emailed and attached.
  - d. Property: Doug Roszmann. Emailed and attached.
  - e. Witness and Mission: Audrey Strauss. Emailed and attached.
  - f. Worship: Peter Clark. Emailed and attached.  
**Motion to receive the committee reports as presented/s.c.**
8. Treasurer's Report. Emailed and attached. In addition, council discussed amending the budget to reflect the increased technical costs associated with providing hybrid Sunday services. Also, due to the lack of musicians in the congregation, we now have to pay for stand-in musicians. Gerry will communicate this to the congregation.

**Motion- Higher speed internet**

Since we need to increase our internet speed in order to better present our hybrid services on Sundays and since the cost of this will exceed our phone/internet budget for the rest of the year:

We authorize the Hybrid technical team to arrange for 1Gbs fiber optic internet service from our current telephone and internet provider (Shaw) at a cost of an additional \$60 per month/s/c.

**Motion- Stand-in musicians for Sunday service**

Since we currently need stand-in piano for at least 2 services a month at a cost of \$150 per service, and since this cost exceeds our budget for stand-in musicians for the rest of the year:

We authorize the Worship committee to arrange for Stand-in musicians for piano at hybrid services at a cost of \$150 per service for the remainder of the year/s/c.

**Motion to receive the Treasurer's report/s/c.**

9. New Business

Doug will post the 2022 ELCIC Convention Report on the church website

**10. Next Meeting Dates**

**Executive: 9 September, 2022 @ 10:30 am**

**Council: 17 September, 2022 @ 9:30 am**

11. Closing Prayer

12. Adjournment @ 10:30 am

**Action**

1. Ray will conduct a survey on succession planning and will report back to council.
2. Gerry Owen will communicate with the congregation the need for a budget amendment which will fund the increased cost of hybrid service and stand-in-musicians.
3. Gerry Owen will follow up with the BC Synod to clarify if the church needs to file with the Land Owner Transparency Registry.