

St. Armands Key Lutheran Church
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Church Council Meeting Minutes
June 11, 2009

Members Present: Lynn Blackledge, Ben Bates, Phyllis Griffith, Chuck Merritt, Ray Smith, Mickey Brunke, Jim James, Bob Wenzel, Pat Rafferty, Paul Holland.

Members Absent: Sandi Carlson, Jane Wittlinger.

Staff Present: Pastor Mark Hillmer.

Call to Order: Council President, Lynn Blackledge, called the meeting to order at 9:05 p.m. A quorum was established.

Opening Devotion: Because of the late time of the meeting starting, Lynn recommended this be omitted.

Secretary's Report: Jim James provided the minutes of the last council meetings that were held-- the regularly scheduled meeting on May14, 2009 and the special council meeting on June 3, 2009. Ben Bates moved to accept the Council minutes. Seconded by Lynn Blackledge. Unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report: A motion was made by Ben Bates to suspend the reading of the Treasurer's report. Seconded by Bob Wenzel. Unanimously approved.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Mark announced that Sunday July 5, 2009 will be his last day with us. He will be starting a new interim in Superior, Wisconsin on July 15, 2009. Pastor Hillmer read a letter from Pastor Roland Miller thanking St. Armands Key Lutheran Church for the generous check of \$ 4,000.00 for the Lutheran ministry work in India.

Lynn Blackledge thanked Pastor Hillmer for his devotion to St. Armands for the past year. There will be a farewell reception for him on July 5, 2009. Lynn announced that Pastor Bob Mursch will be an on-call pastor and a supply pastor for three Sundays during July and August. The Bishop's office will be providing the additional supply pastors needed for the other Sundays in July and August.

Committee Reports:

Ben Bates made a motion to suspend most committee reports except for the Call Committee's report on the primary candidate for the Pastor of St. Armands church. Seconded by Mickey Brunke. Unanimously approved.

Call Committee: The Call Committee has presented the name of Pastor Mark Bernthal to the Council as its primary candidate to be the next Pastor and present it at a congregational meeting on June 28, 2009. Lynn Blackledge made the motion, seconded by Chuck Merritt. Unanimously approved. A motion was made by Ben Bates to present to the congregation a Compensation Package for this candidate totaling \$114,631.00. Seconded by Mickey Brunke. Unanimously approved.

The Property Management Committee reports that the fund for the sanctuary lighting is still short \$5,100.00 to complete the project and a steeple lighting project will require \$2,000.00 to complete. Ben Bates made a motion to fund these projects out of the Capital Reserve Fund. Seconded by Chuck Merritt. Unanimously approved.

Old Business: Lynn Blackledge made a motion to approve ITN event and Hein Frey Lecture event to be held at the church. Seconded by Bob Wenzel. Unanimously approved. Hurricane planning meeting is being held June 16, 2009.

New Business: Held until next meeting.

For the Betterment of the Church: None

Adjournment: Motion was made by Ray Smith to adjourn, seconded by Ben Bates. Motion carried.

Next council meeting: July 9, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim James
Council Secretary