

February 26, 2024 Council Minutes

Present Jerry Young Jerry DePalmo, Mary Billy, John Grangaard, Sally Fink, Jim Rengert, Pastor Martin.

Excused Greta Blegvad, Sadie Smith.

Invocation led by Jerry Young.

Old business: discussion of congregation responses to survey. Suggested - rummage sales meals or events many people checked all of the suggestions except for evangelism. It was suggested that we have a temple talk from a representative of Coalition of Care to explain what they do and it was also suggested that perhaps we consider four community events per calendar year.

January Secretary's Report was accepted by Council – 1st Sally Finck, 2nd Mary Billy.

Reports were received from Congregational Care, Property and Rental Property.

Congregational Care – all shut-ins were visited either in person or by phone and greeting cards were sent.

Property - new stone work will be completed at the front of the church when the weather is warmer. They will make sure not to do the repairs during Holy Week.

Rental property: work continues at the Hudson Ave. property. It is anticipated that a total of \$15,000 will be spent to rehab the property to get it ready for rental.

A motion was made by Mary Billy and seconded by Pastor Martin to accept reports as given. Motion passed.

The financial secretary reported that we nearly broke even in the month of January with an income of \$23,471.70 and expenses of 23,000 \$477.18. Jerry DePaLMO moved that the treasurer's report be accepted the motion carried.

Pastor's report: made some basic repairs around the church including repairing a water leak in the lady's restroom. Licking Memorial has asked if they could hold a yoga class here in the church on Monday and Friday mornings at 9:00 AM. Council gave permission for them to see if our space would work for them. Fred Freytag contacted the pastor about a 2025 visit from our Mecklenburg partners. They are thinking between August 1st and August 10th of 2025. Council asked pastor to tell Fred that those dates seemed fine. Pastor recommended we look at leasing a larger copier as our copy requirements have increased. Mary Billy made the motion Jerry DePalmo seconded and the motion passed.

Meeting was adjourned with prayer led by pastor.

Respectfully submitted Kerrill Foster substitute secretary.