

**Healing Waters Parish Council Meeting Minutes (Unapproved)
November 28, 2017, 7:00 pm
Yellow Medicine Lutheran Church**

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 pm by Jolene Johnson. A quorum was in attendance.

Present: Jolene Johnson, Chery Stensrud, Larry Danielson, Byron Kompelien, Dave Kvam, Wanda Vance, Elmo Volstad, Pr. Steve Quist, support staff Angie Thostenson, Becky Velde, Tim Velde, Rich Hagen

Absent: Pati Marquart

Pr. Steve Quist offered devotions

Added December monthly payment for congregations to agenda.

Secretary's Report: Motion was made and seconded to accept the secretary's report. Motion carried.

Congregation Council Reports:

- Augustana has not met since last meeting.
- Bergen had their annual Waffle Supper. Their annual meeting is scheduled for December 10th. They had their audit and everything went well.
- St Lucas has not met since last meeting
- Yellow Medicine Lutheran has been discussing the budget and Confirmation. Their Sunday School Christmas program is scheduled for December 10th.

Financial Report: financial report for October was received and filed subject to approval by audit.

Pastoral/Staff Reports:

Pastor's report was reviewed. Visitation is going well.

Discussion was had on the interim. Pr. Stephen Olson will be doing pulpit supply for Bergen and Augustana during the month of December. Starting January 1, he will begin as our interim. Preaching schedule will switch between the churches every month. Angie will call Pr. Stephen to discuss benefits.

Old Business:

- 2018 Budget – Each church will discuss what they can afford and bring it back to HWP council.
- Interim Discussion – Pr. Stephen Olson will begin as interim January 1, 2018. Angie will work with him on getting benefits set up and Jolene will have him sign the contract.

New Business:

- Audit – Chery Stensrud will represent St. Lucas, Bette Schweer will represent Augustana, Doug Anderson will represent YMLC, Bergen representative is to be determined. Angie will contact these volunteers in January.
- Mission Fund – It was voted to use our mission fund money for the local backpack programs and local food shelves. Angie will distribute the money.
- Christmas Schedule – Schedule was set via email and is in the newsletter and on the website.
- December monthly payment for congregations – It was voted that for the month of December there is no payment due to Healing Waters Parish due to the funds rising without a Pastor. Angie will contact the secretaries.

Issues to take back to church councils:

- Budget – Each church will discuss what they can afford
- No December payment due to Healing Waters Parish
- Each council should set up a time to meet with Pr. Olson

Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Next parish council meeting:

Thursday, January 4th at Augustana

7:00 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Angie Thostenson, Recording Secretary

Elmo Volstad, Secretary/Treasurer