

**ZUMBRO LUTHERAN CHURCH  
COUNCIL MINUTES  
JANUARY 16, 2018**

Council Members Present: Noel Peterson (president), Shelley Sperling (vice president taking minutes for Jolene Hansen who is absent), Ben Clarkson, Spencer Goetzman, Jim Peterson, Mary Schoenbeck

Members Absent: Alicia Oelkers, Kevin Amundson, Jolene Hansen (secretary)

Staff Present: Pastor Vern Christopherson, Pastor Lisa Kipp, Pastor Jason Bryan-Wegner, Operations Manager Tracy Schar

Devotions: The Big Idea—led by Ben Clarkson: the Gospel of John does not point to the miracle happening but deeper to the message of Jesus. Ice breaker topic included in this devotions discussion: Where have you seen the light of Jesus?

**FIDUCIARY WORK**

Council Agenda

Council Minutes, Staff Reports, Core Team Reports of December 19, 2017—No changes—approved.

Financial Report

Tracy Schar brought us up to date. So far in the December report, the final tally is still not complete. Our review today is just an estimate but appears to fall short of last year's budget goal. Zumbro has not given to all mission areas, but this may change as we get the final reports. Budget for 2018 is \$1,261,561.00, which Tracy implied is very similar to last year. There was some continuing discussion about the tax we might owe for the north parking lot since it generates income. Another upcoming discussion is planned with Mayo to learn more.

Building Visioning Team Presentation at the Annual Meeting

Reviewed past decisions on what we've done up to this point concerning building visioning. Watched a Ted Talk video on "Why." Discussion followed about the Building Visioning Team's work up to this point and "why" we are moving forward. This discussion included looking into possibilities for mission with the space across the street from the church. Keeping an open mind, we were encouraged to look at all the possibilities. The Building Visioning Team will make their short presentation at the Annual Meeting then move forward to listening posts with the congregation to continue work.

**GENERATIVE WORK**

**CLOSING PRAYERS**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Shelley Sperling for Jolene Hanson, secretary

**DATES TO NOTE**

Annual Meeting is Sunday, Feb. 4, between services  
Our next meeting will be February 20, 2018, 6:30pm Kairos Room