

Shepherd of the Hills
Church Council Meeting
12/15/20 – 6:30 PM - via Zoom

Attendees: Pastor Dennis Schmidt, Joe Montfort , Diane Bursey, Sue Meier, Joe Restivo, Chris Russell, Connie Kersten, Ruth Riley, Peg Massaro, Dennis Wick, Jim Johnson, Neville Matadin, Bob McDonald, Mike Walls, Tina Crawn

Time, Opening Devotions, Minutes:

Meeting was called to order at 6:35 PM – Diane read a devotional

Minutes of 11/1720 meeting were approved

Pastor’s report was e-mailed out – no questions

Treasurer Report:

Tina was present and explained the financial report. There was a large anonymous donation in November which put us in a good position to end the year. She also told us that the Bank is going to forgive the PPP loan as we have met all of the conditions. We will apply for another if one becomes available.

There was a question from Chris about funds for Virginia Circle and Me Dolls. Tina explained that there were sufficient funds.

Committee Reports:

Property report was given by Chris. Outside work was done the day after Thanksgiving. Per Joe M – all filters were changed and sanctuary was re-fogged.

Worship and Music report – Wednesday evening services are almost full with reservations. Will be recording Christmas Eve service on 12/17 and will be available online after 4 pm on Christmas Eve. Bishop will be doing the 12/27 service online.

OLD BUSINESS:

Joe R. will post annual and monthly meeting minutes on website. Dennis will work with Joe R. to discuss cloud vs. server pros and cons. Joe R. stated that there is lots of duplication on website and so he is using it as a work tool towards rebuilding the site.

NEW BUSINESS:

Handbook – Mike W. is working on it and progress is being made.

Usher and AED training is needed before reopen so that Covid restrictions are upheld. Cleaning will be done this week and during the times that we have services and then no more so that we can save some money.

COVID 19

As of this date, positivity rate is still high. Discussed pros and cons as well as hows at length. Discussed a path to re-opening – committee of Joe M., Peg, Sue, Connie, Mike and Neville who will meet via Zoom after the first of the year.

It was decided that we are not at the point of conducting services yet due to average age of congregation and rising cases. However Ash Wednesday is 2/17/21 and we would like to be having services at that point. Much discussion needed. When we reopen, sanctuary will need to be fogged after each service and we need thermometers.

DEVOTIONAL FOR 2021 COUNCIL MEETINGS:

Jan- Mike; Feb-Joe M; Mar-Chris; Apr-Ruth; May-Joe R; June-Jim J; July-Sue; Aug-Bob; Sept-Pastor; Oct-Diane; Nov-Dennis; Dec-Neville

Pastor said a prayer to close meeting.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!

Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm – next meeting on 1/19/21 at 6:30 PM –

Respectfully submitted: Sue Meier, Treasurer and acting Secretary.