

With Christ We Welcome, Nurture, Equip and Serve
PELLA CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL MINUTES
February 11, 2025

COUNCIL MEMBERS in attendance were JC Youngquist, Kelly Johnson, Bec Kallevig, Megan Coryell, Joanna Horsburgh, Kristin Larson, Hailee More, Katlyn Larson, and Luke Savage. Non-voting members Lance Averett (Treas.) and Pastor Barb Haugerud, and Janelle Lamb. Visitors were Rylan Volkman and Jazmyn Baisch.

Meeting was called to order by Pres. JC Youngquist. Opening Prayer/Devotion was conducted by Pastor Barb.

VISITOR CONCERNS & INFORMATION SHARING: Council members shared with one another their favorite toy as a child. Thank you notes were shared from UMM, St. John's, Intermountain Development, and Emmaus house for donations received for endowment funds.

COUNCIL REPORTS

The minutes of the January council meeting was reviewed and approved.

The Financial Report was read by Treasurer Lance Averett. The current month income is \$35,143.12 with expenses at \$30,040.93. Our Yellowstone Bank checking account is \$102,530.65 and our money market balance is \$129,623.49. Lance and the board discussed moving some of the checking account balance over to the money market to get better interest. The Set Free account is now at \$140,941.61. The report was approved.

The Pastor's written report was distributed and reviewed by the council.

It was moved and seconded that Kelly Johnson will serve as secretary for the council this year and Megan Coryell will serve as Vice-President. The motion was favorable.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A written report for the **Christian Education Committee** was provided, which met on Jan. 21st.

A verbal report for the **Property & Grounds Committee** was provided. We are still awaiting bids for the church roof, and also for the new water heater. Our insurance company has provided sensors to detect when heating units aren't working to assist in avoiding frozen pipes.

The **Membership Outreach Committee** provided a written report from their meeting Jan. 15th.

The **Worship Committee** provided a written report from their meeting Feb. 3rd.

Pella Pantry has signed the needed agreement with the fair to run the booth again this summer.

The **Library Committee** visited with Yvonne Gebhardt about a few small issues in the library.

OLD BUSINESS

Volunteers were solicited to monitor locked doors at Pella. Bec Kallevig is locking up in February and Joanna Horsburgh will lock up in March, except for the first week. We will have a "group text" for council members for this purpose, should we need coverage during our month should we be unable to lock church.

President JC reminded council that Shawn and Darla Dahl have agreed to attend the Synod Assembly in May.

NEW BUSINESS

The Council resolved that the total compensation paid to Pastor Barb Haugerud in 2025 includes \$21,6000 designated as housing. Bec moved to approve and sign, Kristin seconded the motion, motion passed. JC signed the form.

Council representatives to various committees were appointed.

Christian Education-Hailee Moore, Katlyn Larson

Property and Grounds-JC Youngquist

Personnel-JC Youngquist, Megan Coryell (Both on because of Council positions.)

Pella Pantry-Kelly Johnson

Membership Outreach-Bec Kallevig

Stewardship-Kristin Larson

Worship Committee-Joanna Horsburgh

Library Committee-Luke Savage

The plans for Lent and Easter were discussed. There will be Lenten services beginning March 5th at 6:45 pm. The services will continue through April 9th. On Holy Week, there will be services at 6:45 pm on Thursday and Friday, with one service on Sunday, at 9 a.m.

CLOSING PRAYER AND ADJOURNMENT

The next regular Council meeting will be on March 11, 2025 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Johnson

Secretary