

St Stephen's Council

April 19, 2023

Attendees: Eric Donahue, Kim Richter, Jolene Sather, John Snider, Diane Meyers, Beth Hostager, Mary Molumby, Mark Rogosheske, Vicki Jackson, John Anderson, Tim Gibson, Merrill Ziemann, Tim Thompson, Abby Vavra

1. Welcome
2. Prayer
3. March 15th council meeting minutes approved
4. Exec. Committee –
 - a. Solar project paused while we gather additional information
 - b. Building projects
5. Building committee
 - a. Enerchange will do a building energy audit
 - b. Looking at bathroom renovations
 - c. Want to be more accessible
 - d. Distinguishing between needs and wants
6. Riverside Innovation Hub
 - a. Application due tomorrow
7. Nominating committee
 - a. Pastor John contacting people in the next week or so
8. Young Life Proposal
 - a. Exploring long term relationship
 - b. Kids attend Young Life because it offers a safe space
 - c. Allocate money to fund this year
 - d. Robust conversation
 - e. Approved proposal for 2023 donation
9. Pastors reports
 - a. Thank you
 - b. 9:30 am May 7th Pastor John at Salem, council members invited to attend
 - c. Plate spinning – Garrett doing lots of work to edit video, huge contribution to communication
 - i. Loaves and Fishes – found a group that is willing to sponsor a month
10. Property Management – plenty to do. Thanks to Eric for coming in last Monday!
11. Education – kids singing in church on May 21st
 - a. 17 kids tonight
12. Youth
 - a. Raised \$700 through pancake breakfast
 - b. Campfire on Cinco De Mayo
 - c. Wilderness Wapo, regular camp for younger kids, regular camp for older kids
13. Finance – snapshot reflects the costs exceeding income

14. Stewardship – working on videos.
 - a. Easter contributions – very encouraging
15. Mission – raised funds for Loaves and Fishes, positive response from the congregation
16. Fellowship – potluck on May 7th
17. Nativity Scene – coming down on Friday
18. House of Life – meeting on Sundays appears to be going well
19. Foundation – a group that will be added to the agenda moving forward
 - a. Changed to ELCA Foundation
 - b. Working on future reporting
20. Next meeting; May 17th, 7:15 pm