

October 29, 2015

RE: Our Savior Lutheran Church
Norfolk, NE
1501

Minutes of the Committee Meetings

October 26, 2015 Meetings

Discovering our Future Together

The minutes of all committee meetings are shared in order for all groups to maintain awareness of the coordinated work of the groups working together in the work of the church. The following notes and comments apply:

1. General comments for all meetings

1. Opening Devotion – 2 Corinthians 4:7-10
2. We reviewed the City's error in publishing the meeting date which has delayed our work
 - a. the decision was made to withdraw the request and resume in two weeks
 - b. the Planning Commission hearing will be November 3 at 7:30am
 - c. all members of Our Savior Lutheran are encouraged to attend the meeting
3. All meetings opened and closed with prayer.

Proposed Agenda items for all committees at the opening of the next meeting:

1. **Opening Devotion –**
2. **What's next –**
3. **Other**

2. Mission and Ministry Committee

Present: Pastor Ryan, Trish Weander, Alan Schieffer, Rachel Rardon, Kelsey Miller, Jordon Miller, Dennis Beltz, Doug Sunderman, Nancy Schulz, Michelle Korth, Barb Carstens, Christine Eckberg, James Nord

1. Several new and several continuing items are underway
2. The Christmas Gift is a new "b-salty" event which is underway
 - a. OSL is leading an effort to provide a mobile gift store for area families in need to purchase gifts for their families at greatly reduced cost
 - b. the trailer will be located throughout the city, staffed by church members and open for 2-4 hours at a time
 - c. Gifts will be purchased at full price by members, donated and resold as gifts
 - d. the church will not profit financially from this effort, all monies will be used to further the ministry continuation
 - e. the purpose is to provide gifting with dignity to those in need
 - f. the goal is to raise \$25,000 in gifts to share with 700 families in Norfolk.
 - g. a trailer is needed to serve as the store.
 - h. the group meets on Thursday evenings at 7:00pm at OSL
 - i. Area churches are invited to participate
 - j. Donation boxes need to be provided to the other churches
 - k. Andrews van lines will assist in providing trailers
 - l. a mini "shopping blitz" will be considered with area stores

3. Our Savior Lutheran will organize a caroling group, dressed in turn of the century traditional garb to sing Christmas Carols at the community lighting festival on November 24th
4. The Community Audit is underway
 - a. a panel discussion, including the mayor, school administration, county judge, Chief of Police, newspaper editor, realtor, etc will be held at OSL on two sessions.
 1. TENTATIVE dates are December 1 at 7:00pm and December 6 at 12:00noon
 2. These dates need to be confirmed. The Dec 1 date looks good, the 6th may be conflicting with other events at church.
5. Jordan continues to seek added volunteers for
 - a. readers
 - b. greeters
 - c. musicians
 - d. other

Proposed Agenda items for the Mission/Ministry Committee at the next meeting:

1. **Work during process**
 - a. **involved**
 - b. **engaged**
 - c. **informed**
2. **b-salty**
 - a. **The Christmas Gift**
 - b. **Caroling**
 - c. **other**
3. **Community Audit**
4. **Other**

3. Funding and Finance Committee

Present: John Geary, Tammy Stolpe, John Pile, Kenny Weander, Pastor Ryan, Pastor Lee, Ron Stauffer, Doug Sunderman, Mike Wilke, Joe Cipra, James Nord

- a. It was reported that Joe had submitted his final report from the listening phase of the Kairos study
 1. Further detail will be provided when a meeting with Joe can be scheduled
 2. the report was consistent with the survey
 3. overall, the congregation is very anxious to get started with the project
- b. The committee discussed the need to initiate the financing of the project
 1. a loan will likely be needed to finalize the purchase of the Eagle Distribution building
 - a. Tammy, Mike and John will work on the financing package
- c. The committee discussed and affirmed that the permanent financing limit will be \$2.5 million
- d. The financing will need to be in place for payment on the closing date of March 31, 2016
- e. It is anticipated that gifting will be possible within 2015
 1. it is important to know the full scope of the project before asking for funds

Proposed Agenda items for the Funding/Finance Committee at the next meeting:

1. **Financing**
 - i. **Purchase Property**
 - ii. **Construction**
 - iii. **Long Term**
 - iv.
2. **Kairos**
 - i. **Advisory Team Review**
 - ii. **Volunteers**
 - iii. **Vision Statement**
3. **Other**

4. Building and Planning Committee

Present: Kent McCallum, Jason Doele, Pastor Ryan, Cleve Stolpe, Jordon Miller, Andrea McGregor, Corey Windedahl, Phillip Rardon, Doug Sunderman, Gordon Adams, Pastor Lee, Randy Wilcox, Mark Johnson, Eric Neemeyer, Niki Petersen, Kelsey Miller, James Nord

1. In addition to the general items recorded above the committee reviewed:
 - a. The concern expressed for safely
 1. the site plan was reviewed
 2. the current building is set back to provide an intersection safety zone of more than 400 feet
 3. Standard for an intersection safety zone is 30'
 4. the 400' zone provides space for an 80,000 lb vehicle to come to a safe stop
 - b. The location of the proposed entrances on the north end of the lot were reviewed.
 - c. The location of the preschool entrance and play yard are in a safe zone, protected and away from the street
 - d. The Norfolk Chief of Police has reviewed the concerns and is comfortable with the location of the church in this place.
2. The committee was encouraged to attend the city planning meeting on Tuesday, November 3rd at 7:30am

Proposed Agenda items for the Building Committee at the next meeting:

1. **Zoning Review**
2. **Plan review**
3. **Alternate Site Review**
4. **Other**

The next series of meetings is as follows:

November 3 – Planning Commission Meeting (City Hall) – 7:30am
All are encouraged to attend

November 9th - Mission/Ministry – 5:30pm
Funding/Finance – 6:30pm
Building/Planning – 7:30pm

November 16th - City Council (City Hall) – 5:30pm
All are encouraged to attend

November 23rd - Mission/Ministry – 5:30pm

Funding/Finance – 6:30pm
Building/Planning –7:30pm

This represents my understanding of the contents of our meeting. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Minutes will be forwarded via email, hard copies will be distributed upon request.

Respectfully submitted,

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Cc: committee members (via Church Office email)
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