

**Collbran Congregational Church, UCC**  
**Council Meeting Minutes**  
**March 14, 2022**

**Persons Present:** Pastor Anne Djokic, Sue Bellotti, Tilda Evans, Lew Evans, Cyndi Leinberger, Julia Cox, Sylvia Spangler, and Monica Klingler

Moderator, Julia Cox, called the meeting to order at 6:10 pm.

Pastor Anne gave a devotional message by giving us a beautiful song to listen to, by Phil Wickham, called Hymn of Heaven. This was for us to think of the poor folks in the Ukraine. It's a beautiful song and fitting for this day.

**Clerk's Report:** The minutes from the Annual 2/14/22 Council Meeting were reviewed. Two corrections were noted. Lew moved to accept the minutes as presented. Cyndi seconded. The motion passed.

It was noted with joy that there were a couple new babies in our community that were not noted in the past months. Brandon and Hannah Bruton had baby Robert Thurston Bruton, who was born on December 7, 2021. Joe and Lyndee Waggoner had their son Daelyn Jarl Waggoner, who was born on 1/10/22.

**Pastor's Report:** Pastor Anne gave a beautiful card to thank the church council for the flower arrangement given to her in honor of her 6 years with us! She handed out her report and reviewed the sermons she gave over the past month. She made 116 visits and calls in February! That is at least 4 a day, each day of the month. Pastor also gave kudos to the Safety team for the shelter in place drill on March 13<sup>th</sup>. On March 18<sup>th</sup>, she is looking forward to the lasagna supper. Pastor gave an update on the upcoming activities for the Lenten journey. The sanctuary will be open from 1 to 4 pm for prayer and meditation on Good Friday. Some other upcoming events are that VBS will be June 22-24 and the Senior Tea will be on May 3<sup>rd</sup>. 29 kids will be graduating this year!

**Treasurer's Report:** Sue gave the Treasurer's report. The ending balance for February was in the red- negative \$906.55. Sue moved \$1000 from the General Fund Savings Account for the difference. Sue sent the Noisy Offering from February to Hope West. The quarterly Liability payment is due in April. It is \$3750 so takes a big chunk out of our monies. We also received the property tax for our gas well mineral rights. Sue noted that at Grand Valley Bank, the folks who are currently able to look at the safety deposit box are herself and Glenn Stoll. For the Women's Fellowship account, Julia and Sue are able to get money out. For the church checking account, Sue, Cindy Price, and Julia are able to access the account. Since Glen is no longer at our church, after discussion, Lew moved that we add Tilda's name as a signatory for the safety deposit

box at Grand Valley Bank. Monica seconded. The motion passed. Sue and Tilda will get together to look at the safety deposit box.

**Stewardship:** The Stewardship letter will go out in the mail tomorrow. It is posted in the paper so that it gets wide circulation.

**Moderator's Report:** No Report

**Trustee's Report:** - Sue gave this report. She, Julia, Cindy, and Bereniece met. They reviewed the rental agreement information so that it could be revised. As an example of the agreement, Sue passed out a letter that she sent to a person wanting to use our church dining room. Women's Fellowship will be providing food and service for the luncheon. The Trustees will now have a letter that is attached to the rental application. The application forms will be provided- the rental agreement, rental fees, and the rules for building/equipment use. Everyone liked these forms. Cyndi moved that the rental agreement forms be accepted as our new way of business, as they were presented by the Trustees. Tilda seconded. The motion passed.

Tilda was cleaning the downstairs bathroom sink and found that the new sink had been broken and glued. This causes a delay in the finalization of the contract with Burke. The Trustees also updated the contracts and got them signed for the custodial and snow removal contracts. The gym lease is in the works.

**Stewards Report:** Sylvia gave the Stewards report. She reviewed the duties performed each Sunday. The Stewards will get the palms and Easter lilies ordered for Palm Sunday and Easter. The presentation of communion was discussed. The gluten free crackers have to be kept separate from the bread. Those with Celiac's disease cannot have any cross-contamination with wheat. A dish will be provided by Anne,

**Christian Education:** As mentioned earlier VBS will be on June 22-24. The program will be June 26<sup>th</sup>. The fundraiser for VBS is the lasagna dinner on March 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Music:** Tilda noted that any non-domain hymn will be reported as having been used.

**Women's Fellowship:** Sue said that Women's Fellowship met on 2/15 and planned for the lasagna dinner and Sedar Supper. They will help the Stewards prepare the sanctuary. Senior Tea is being planned. The seniors and their mothers are invited. With 29 students, it's tough to invite the whole family. 10 of the students are from Job Corps. Wendy Nichols, the Grand Mesa High School principal will hand out invitations to her students. An Easter Egg hunt is planned for at 10 am on Easter. Christian Education will send out invitations to the children.

**PPR Committee:** Anne and the committee will be meeting on March 25<sup>th</sup> at noon.

**Memorial Committee:** No report

**Safety Committee:** Tilda said that she is working on a safety policy for the Church. We do not allow open carry on our premises. For concealed carry, we assume that people have training. Signs will be prepared to put on the doors, to note that the doors will be locked at 11:15 am. Concealed carry and open carry will be noted at the Park, the dining room, and in the church. We don't want too many posters up around though! We will enforce the weapon carrying, if needed. We will also add that information to the rental and use agreements. This may also need to be enforced during the Farmer's Markets. More things to think about!

**Old/New Business:**

There was no further business.

The next meeting will be on April 11th, 2022 at 6:00 pm. The meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Monica Klingler, Clerk