

CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES FOR JUNE 2011

In Attendance: Chair Susan Powers, Bill Katt, Janice Moore, Shirley Paulette, Carol Rivard, Jill Wilson, Chris Wilson, Jeanette Baker, John Rioux, Joyce Rioux, Carla Heister, Tim Krauss.
Excused: Heidi Flower.

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. Opening devotions were given by Bill Katt. Genesis I was read from "Does God Have a Big Toe?"
The minutes from May 2011 were accepted.

Rethink – Jeanette Baker – the Zion Soup Kitchen was very appreciative of the Summer "Lunch Bags" that were put together for them – we will be doing them again for July and August. The Sunday School will decorate the paper bags.

Education – Shirley Paulette – Summer Sunday School will be offered as usual, ok to invite neighborhood kids as long as there is a contact # for parents.

Trustees – Chris Wilson – work on parsonage continues, floors are scheduled to be re-done this week; June 22nd at 7 pm is the Parsonage Open House. Trustees will provide snacks and beverages.

Roberts Fund has been asked to provide \$1500 for a Nursery Care person.

Parking Lot Ministry will be held during July and August, Tiffany from Boys and Girls Club will run the program this year. Times to be announced soon.

The 'mystery' Steinway piano has been sold, on E-Bay, for \$18,000. (appraisal amount). The money will be held by Trustees for a decision on its use.

From Heidi – in absence – the Tailgate Tag Sale netted a profit of \$845 – much more than was expected. Would like to make this a yearly event, on the first weekend in June each year.

Staff-Parish - Joyce Rioux – Pastor Bob Sorozan and Terri will be moving into the parsonage June 28th; the keys are ready. July 10th is Bob's first Sunday in the pulpit. Education will host the "pot luck" Fellowship hour to welcome them.

Joyce will begin scheduling a series of "Meet and Greet" gatherings for our new pastor. Each one will be hosted by a different family, and other church members in their area will be invited to attend.

Shut-In visitation. Dennis gave Bob the latest list – Sue Powers also has a current list. The office calls Bristol Hospital daily to check for names.

Pastor Bob asked about the possibility of a Leadership Retreat – probably cannot be scheduled this summer.

Any information for the Tower Summer Edition should go to Jeanette Baker.

As of July 1st – Dennis' photo and sermons will be removed from the website and archived on disc and paper copies. Give paper copies to History Committee to archive.

John Rioux – the office computer needs to be replaced soon – 'she' is getting old and needs to be replaced before it crashes – we are being pro-active and everything is currently backed up.

Carol Rivard – has received calls regarding people needing to do Community service for heir court sentences. Good idea but these folks cannot be left here alone or given keys – there should be a set schedule and list of duties to be done. Perhaps 9-12 Mon – Fri (regular office hours) and the people coming in would need to be screened first.

Finance – Tim Krauss - apportionments and bills are up-to-date. Question regarding where Parsonage Expenses are shown in budget? New line called “Capital Expenses” is there for that, bills will be reconciled as soon as they come in. Chris Wilson mentioned that the Fair Committee has donated \$5000 toward this.

There is no Council meeting scheduled for July. Next meeting is August 16th at 7 p.m. Tim Krauss is schedule for devotions.

Respectfully submitted

Janice Moore, recording secretary