Messiah Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes, July 21, 2015

Members Present: Travis Tulowitzky, Cheryl Follis, Bob Leis, Ginny Pedersen, Linda Coleman, Jim Thoreson, Dede Maki, Dave Anderson and Pastor Nancy. **Absent:** Bob Follis, Tom Murphy, Keith Holm

Meeting called to order at 6pm. Pastor Nancy Opened with devotions and an exercise that included the question, "What is the greatest possibility you can imagine God is doing or could do in your community?" The Council offered a welcome to Dave Anderson who will be taking Clayton Koss's place on council. Secretaries Report: M/S/C to accept Secretaries Report with one change, the vehicle is a Comanche.

Treasurer's Report: M/S/C to accept the Treasurer's report.

Pastors Report: Pastor Nancy presented a written report. She reported 37 youth attended VBS along with 5 teens from Menomonie, 4 counselors from LPBC, Kaari Ashland as director and many adult helpers. Discussion included the pros and cons of having VBS at Messiah vs. St. Louis Church. WWW will have its first class on Wed. Sept 16. Everyone is encouraged to save the date of Sunday night, September 13 to come to Messiah Church to hear Bishop Rick Hoyme talk about generosity and stewardship.

Linda Coleman reported that in 2009, Wisconsin law was changed so that there may be a way to change language of our current Endowment Fund, so that more of the money could be used. This information will be passed on to the Finance Committee.

Worship Ministry – No Report. **Learning Ministry** – No report **Support Ministry** – At the beginning of council, members all looked at the carpet that was installed this week. **Heaven's Helping Hands** – Met on July 12th and are preparing for the August 5 Veteran's service/picnic

Old business – Keith Holm, Bob Follis, Bob Leis and Travis Tulowitzky were given authority to decide how/when to sell Warren's property such as the truck, tractor, snow blower, etc. Discussion included where this money should be deposited and how it should be used. Using some of it possibly for downstairs speakers was an idea that came up. Pastor Nancy asked council members to consider designating a portion of the proceeds from sales of these properties to go to Bible camperships and/or other youth ministry expenses.

New Business – council discussed and decided to have Messiah host God's Works Our Hands again this fall, on September 13. Everyone is asked to look for a few good service projects around Washburn.

The next meeting will be on August 11 at 6:00pm. M/S/C to adjourn at 7:14 pm.