

Grand Avenue UMC Trustee Meeting
Oct. 13, 2024

Trustees Present: Bob Graff, David Guse, Lin Lohr, Dan Benning, Ardelle Dionne, John Wozniak

Opened with a prayer

Sept. minutes. Lin advised of a change in the snow removal contract. It was reported that it was for shoveling the sidewalks only; not the parking lot.

UPDATES: False alarm to fire department was called in by a passer-by who saw the glow of the light behind the cross. We will not be billed for it.

Water bill that was reported for the FAC at our last meeting was actually for the church. Dan and Bob have been trying to discover the problem. Bob discovered a leak in the tunnel by the boiler. There is a leak in the main line from the boiler to the radiator in the vestibule. J&H Heating will be coming this week to look into it. Short term fix would be to put a valve on the pipe.

SNOWPLOWING: We will contract with JR Belke. \$169 for each plowing; \$140 for each salting. Stacy will call 12 hours ahead when we need them. Dave moved to accept the contract. Ardelle Seconded. Passed

INSURANCE: Conference have discontinued Church Mutual as the insurance carrier and are going with M3. M3 has all of our information. All properties and workman's compensation are covered.

ENDOWMENT: Jan Young is working on setting up the endowment fund.

BUDGET: Draft will be reviewed by Ad Council on Oct. 16. Dan reported on two changes. We've increased the tax liability on the parsonage. Budget also shows the parsonage rent increase.

FACILITY USE POLICY: After discussion, decision was made to keep current policy. John moved. Dave seconded. Passed.

LIGHT: We have withdrawn our request to have a light pole installed by WE near the FAC. WE would have charged \$2800 to install.

FAC LEASE: Will auto renew at the end of the year.

CALL LIST: Need to update list for alarms. Bob will handle. Also replaced batteries in the smoke alarms.

WINDOW WASHING: Windows in FAC and fellowship hall need to be done. John will send name of the window washer they personally use.

PARSONAGE TOUR: Dave and Lin will visit.

CARPET: Lin asked that the carpet in the narthex be cleaned as it is stained.

Next meeting: Sunday, Nov. 10th following church

Respectfully submitted: Lin Lohr