

Harris Chapel United Methodist Church

Church Council Meeting

October 24, 2010

Darrell Day called the meeting to order and Danny Hall opened with prayer.

Patty Wilcox read the minutes from the August 22, 2010 meeting. Motion was made by Danny Hall and seconded by James Curtis to approve minutes as read.

Old Business

1. Judy Wimley advised that cemetery letters had been mailed and \$528.00 had been received to date.
2. Jenita Ferguson advised that she had received all insurance claim money and that all the repair bills from damage had been paid. It was noted that water was still coming around window in the Pastor's office. Bro Bob advised that Larry Miller had checked the roof and the water was not coming from the roof. The window and awning was checked and re-caulked. Mr. Miller advised that the window may have to be resealed. It was decided to contact the window manufacturer and see what they recommend and if necessary, reseal the window.
3. Darrell Day advised that the parsonage has been rented. Darrell advised that all the Real Estate agent's responsibilities were to market the property and find a renter. It is the Trustees of the church responsibility to collect the rent and to see that any repairs are fixed. Since renting the parsonage the renter has called and texted Darrell daily; many times each day. Darrell noted that it was not his responsibility to handle this, but the responsibility of the Trustees. It was noted that her rent was current until November. Trustees really need to meet and discuss this issue. Trustees at this time are Darlene Judge, Mark Montoye and Mike Brandon. Nominating Committee also needs to meet next Sunday. Lengthy discussion followed. It was decided to table the parsonage issue and pray for direction concerning this issue.
4. Friday Night Lights is going well but Joan and Darrell need help from the members so that the same people will not be tied up every Friday night. It was decided to start a sign-up sheet for others to take a Friday night to supervise the children and coordinate the activities.

New Business

1. Darrell Day presented the finance report and draft budget for 2011. We are still meeting our budget. The collections through October 24, 2010 are \$66,858.14 and expenses were \$59,348.96; leaving a balance of \$7,509.18. There is about \$13,000.00 in checking and cemetery fund and we have about \$42,000.00 on CDs. Bro Bob advised that he would like to have an outside audit and also stated it is required by the Church Discipline. Discussion followed. Motion by Joan Day and seconded by Patty Wilcox to table. More discussion followed. James Curtis noted that we would need to get at least 3 bids for an audit and we really need to see what everyone else thinks regarding this issue. Mary Bennett said she would contact Clark & Knies to see what a church audit would entail and the approximate cost. Motion by Darrell Day and Jeannette Rose to move on to another subject. Motion by James Curtis and seconded by Danny Hall to accept the Budget for 2011 as presented. Motion carried.
2. Bro Bob thanked everyone for their work and attendance. Advised that he was not totally sure of his role, but that he was learning and needed everyone's support. Nominating Committee needs to meet next Sunday. The Charge Conference is on November 14th. Bro Bob would be getting in touch with those that he needed reports from for the conference. Bro Bob was also going to contact District Superintendent to see if we could get a copy of last year's report. Bonnie Brandon and Nellie Daughtery are working on the membership roll to bring it up-to-date. i.e. adding any new members and deleting those that are deceased or have moved their membership, etc.

There being no further business to come before the Council, motion by Joan Day and seconded by Jenita Lloyd to adjourn. Bro Bob closed the meeting in prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Wilcox
Council Secretary