

**Manchaca United Methodist Church
Church Council Meeting
Aug. 23, 2018 - 7:00 PM
Minutes**

Presiding at the meeting: Rev. Andy Smith, Sr. Pastor & Rick Bowman, Church Council Chair

In Attendance at the meeting: 16

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| Ron Mize | Rosie Grattan | Bill Konde |
| Rhonda Morris | Scott Abel | Debbie Dulski |
| Daryl Voges | Richard Halweg | Loretta Loyd |
| Emmett Thomason | Marsha Patterson | |

Not in Attendance at the meeting:

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| Clint Wilson | Jennifer Bautista | Ed Engleking |
| Natasha Pelayo | Bob Caudill | Linda Voges |
| David Gibbs | Michelle Lunsford | Bart Sturzl |
| Jenny Rinehart | | |

Visitors:

Mike Nieswander Dick Christ Jaime Mariscal from M&M associates

Devotional and Opening Prayer: At 7:00 PM the Church Council of Manchaca United Methodist Church began with a short devotional and prayer.

Rhonda motioned to approve the meeting minutes from the last meeting, they were approved verbally.

Finance Report: Dick Christ introduced Jaime Mariscal from M&M Associates.

Jaime gave a summary of the 2017 financial audit. The organist probably should have been added to the payroll (instead of being counted as a contractor) since she worked for several months of the year. Land sale should be approved in a church conference, but land sold to the county wasn't. Mainly because we had no choice to disapprove. All other aspects of the audit looked excellent.

Dick presented and reviewed the current operating expenses and income. He also talked about the Family Life Center debt (old debt with no remaining pledges). It should take about 24 months to pay it off. The Sanctuary renovation should be paid off by this February.

Trustees Team Report: Rhonda gave the trustees report. She talked about Church Interior payments and carpet repair activity. The Trustees discussed about how to keep the church renovations on people's minds; for loan balance payments and future plans.

Repairs have been done to the main flooring with extra adhesives, but the floor raised again immediately. We will continue to work with the flooring manager.

Some AC repairs were done earlier in the summer. The trustees are looking at a possible service agreement to prevent future costly repairs.

The detention ponds are due for inspection this fall. We may need a work day to shore them up beforehand. Sediment tends to clog the drainage. Rototilling seems to help. They need to be kept mowed. It is possible the inspection may have already been done as we might not be notified if everything looks OK.

New lighting is planned for the carport to match other lights.

Pastor Parish Relations Report: Andy said an announcement is forthcoming. No details until the Bishop approves.

Andy reported that our full-time janitor has quit and we are looking for a replacement. Retention would be better if we raised the hourly rate from \$12 to \$14. Daryl motioned to raise the minimum janitorial wage to \$14/hr and Warren to be raised to \$16/hr for his seniority. Emmett seconded and the motion passed verbally

Purpose Team Report/Associate Pastor: Rosie gave the purpose team report and referred to the last council meeting minutes to highlight the many upcoming events. The 5K run is being organized for February 23rd next year. Earlier than prior years. The theme is the 80's.

We are looking for someone to take over the community gardens.

Life group sign-ups are ongoing. We are looking for group leaders. Target start is mid-September.

Pastors Report: Andy said The Southern Plainsmen are coming Sept. 2. A new weekday 7pm worship service is starting Sept 5 on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays. September 5th Sunday worship is at 10am followed with a potluck and then unloading pumpkins.

Other Business: The Men's group is having a clothing drive toward the end of September (22nd).

The youth ministry is in need of more volunteers for the ministry fair on the 24th. Huxley James Nieswander is due on the 23rd.

Closing: Pastor Andy closed the meeting at 8:20pm with a prayer. The next council meeting is Oct. 18.