

CMCL Council Meeting**7:00 PM Grant Street Building****June 9th 2026**

Present: Beth, Deb, Craig, John, Marlene, Laurel, Karen, Nathan, Larry, Mike

- Opening - Mike
- *Share something about yourself that others in the group might not know about you*

Finance Committee (action item)

- Finance Reports
 - *\$90,000 to meet budgeted income over the next three months*
 - *\$13,000 ahead of last year at this time (income)*
 - *Expenses are all on track for this time of year*
 - *Reserves are currently four months' expenses plus \$30,000*
 - *Upcoming larger expenses: insurance, real estate taxes*
 - *Typically budget a deficit; Larry anticipates breaking even this year*
 - *Motion to approve: John; second: Laurel. All in favor.*
- Budget Process
 - *From Hope: 30 planned giving responses so far; about 80 responses total last year*
 - *Hope will calculate and share income projections soon*

Staff Relations Committee (action item)

- Staff Reports
 - Motion to approve: Beth; second: Deb. All in favor.*
- Youth/Young Adult Pastor position (.75 FTE)
 - Dan L. is willing to take it a year at a time and has committed to the next school year (2026-2027)
- Director of Church Administration (.5 FTE)
 - Nathan's first day was May 5th.
- Temporary Sexton
 - Jigme Singe was hired for the position for the next 3 months and possibly longer. He moved into the apartment on Wednesday May 20*
 - *SRC is recommending that Sexton supervision fall under Facilities Committee, rather than Director of Church Administration. This was a temporary arrangement that has been working well. Facilities Committee knows well what is happening with the building.*
 - *Motion to approve: John; second: Beth. All in favor.*

Facility Committee (report item)

- On the facility committee's recommendation, Nathan is going to apply for the Pam De Young Net Zero Energy grant to help fund installation of EV chargers at our "green" parking lot.

- *\$1800 grant from MCUSA; due June 30. Discussed whether this one be for one or multiple chargers. Questions about managing demand and cost of electricity used.*

Leadership Selection Committee (report item)

- Diane has agreed to chair the worship committee one additional year (5th year) and hopefully someone will be willing to take it next year.
- Committee chairs are limited to (2) 2 year terms.
 - *Procedures are created with grace and flexibility assumed, as needed.*
 - *Leadership Selection Committee recommends taking Diane up on her offer.*

Motion to approve: John; second: Karen. All in favor.
- *Beth shared about work on a new structure document (many thanks to Dave for his tireless work on this) that is nearly complete. Mike will send it for review (edits and updates are noted in blue and red). Council members will review individually and vote to approve it in July, then it will be distributed to the congregation.*

Congregational Meeting (action item)

- cfd
- *Motion to approve the concept/talking points and August 2 date: Craig; second: Deb. All in favor.*

Council Openings (report opening)

- We need to add a chair and chair elect for new year which starts in September
- Ideally Council would have 9 voting council members
 - Thank you Karen for joining the Council team!
 - Adam Millier and Shawn Ramer are likely interested in starting next year (check with both in July)
- Beth, David, and Deb in last year (Beth and Deb are willing to serve for a second term if needed)
- Craig in second year
- John, Marlene, and Laurel renewed therefore in their 1st year.
- Current Voting Criteria - A quorum is majority of the voting members. We currently have 7 voting members therefore 4 be present to transact business. And a 75% vote is needed to pass agenda items.
- *Mike reviewed these openings.*
- *There have been no new suggestions for a chair. Mike expressed openness to staying one more year if needed. Question was raised about the process for making this decision - would it be part of a congregational meeting? Mike can share his willingness to Leadership Selection Committee; Council offered their full support for this.*

Adjourn

- *Motion to adjourn: Beth; second: Laurel. All in favor.*

Minutes: Nathan Grieser

June council minutes unanimously approved June 15, 2026 via email.