

## CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

July 19, 2020

Sunday, July 19, 2020 President Jim Letourneau called the meeting to order at 10:42am via Zoom. President Jim then introduced Robin Arneson as the tech person for Zoom and assisting with counting. Anna Peterson, Church Secretary and Katie Jones Council Secretary will also assist with counting votes.

President Jim asked for approval of the one item agenda to sell the town home located at 22 Hope Circle.

Einar Hanson/Karen McConville  
Moved/Second/Carried

President Jim called upon Pastor Carolyn Staats to lead us with an opening prayer.

President Jim thanked everyone for taking time today to help with this important task. He stated we are certainly living in unusual times. Today is just one example of how we need to do things differently and deal with issues as they come up. President Jim explained the offer in detail. The property that was graciously donated to the congregation is what the meeting is about. When Mt. Zion took over the property on January 1, 2020, there were renters in the property that had a binding lease until November of 2020. They terminated their lease early allowing Mt. Zion the ability to get in and do some cleaning and painting and general care to place it on the market. Mt. Zion was approached by someone that made an offer. The sale price is \$150,000. President Jim went on to explain there are no costs to Mt. Zion in the transaction. No closing costs, no realtors' fees, and no further improvements required. The sale will net Mt. Zion \$150,000. Per our Constitution, the sale of this property needs to be approved by the Congregation.

Jim Eral made the motion, seconded by Kendra Margl, that we vote to approve the sale the townhouse located at 22 Hope Circle.

Discussion followed.

Kendra Margl asked what the listing price was. President Jim replied it never was listed but a market search was completed, and it came up with \$160,000. President Jim then added that closing costs and other fees would then have to be paid which would net either the same or even less than the \$150,000 Mt. Zion is being offered.

Einar Hanson asked if Jim and Kendra would be interested in a friendly amendment that is this transaction does not go through for some unknown reason, to be able to still sell it at this price.

Jim Eral replied he just wanted the motion to sell and to leave the amount out of it.

Katie Jones also spoke up to say President Jim just wanted the Congregation to approve the sale of the Town Home so if this one did not happen; we would not have to call another meeting.

Einar Hanson withdrew his friendly amendment.

Amanda Stojan asked about if some members are concerned about the lack of a price in the motion, it could be modified to include a minimum selling point.

Jim Eral replied to just keep it clean and leave the numbers out of it.

President Jim replied if this sale does not happen, but there is no reason to believe it will not, the Executive Committee and Board of Property would do what us best to obtain the highest and best price for this asset.

Hearing no more questions, President Jim asked for a vote.

Robin Arneson polled the phone callers and Katie Jones the video members. Anna tallied numbers also as members responded. The number was sent to President Jim as agreed to by Robin, Katie, and Anna. Robin announced they were all yes votes and 55 of them.

Katie said we needed a quorum of Mt. Zion's voting members. There are 281 voting members which equals 28 voting members are needed in attendance. We have 55 so we have a quorum.

President Jim Letourneau announced the motion passed.

Board of Property Chair, Mark Arneson, will tell the good news to the buyer.

President Jim thanked Einar Hanson for all he did to make this all happen.

President Jim then entertained a motion to adjourn. Linda Letourneau/Harley Saathoff M/S/C

Congregational Meeting adjourned at 11:10 am with the Lord's Prayer.

55 in Attendance which is a quorum.

10% of 281 Adult Baptized Members =28 needed.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie Jones

Council Secretary