

Council Meeting Notes for 1/20/2026

Time: 6:30 PM

Location: Faith Lutheran Church - McGraw Drive

Council Members in Attendance: Beth Feit, Brian Goke, Brad Morris

Council Members Absent: Brian Otto, Helen Haggarty

Other in Attendance: Bridget Koester, Kevin Nichlas, Jeff Pritzer, Mike Gilmore, Tera Miatke

- Brian opened the meeting in prayer at 7:32 pm
- Beth - move to approve Consent Agenda: Kevin - seconds approval
- Mike led discussion regarding facility updates & members completed a walk-through of the building
  - Received letter from the City of Bloomington regarding warning about occupancy
  - Flooring work will begin within the week
  - Additional cost expected for the sprinkler system needed for outside
  - Expected to run over budget on electrical work - Mike will provide an update on the numbers for next meeting
  - Alarm system will be added to the budget, Brent is pulling the estimate together and has sent it to Brad for review
  - The flooring contractor has indicated that prep-work is needed prior to the new floor installation: paint needs to be removed from the floor and it has to be sealed. Mike will look into getting volunteers to assist with this.
- Beth - The 2026 budget
  - Clarification on annual note for Israel trip
  - Finalize numbers for annual meeting scheduled for 1/25/26
  - David is officially on the payroll (yay!)
  - Blessed and thankful for Helen & David
- Other Items:
  - Congregational meeting and Luncheon this Sunday (1/25) - reviewed the planned Agenda
  - February reports are due by Sunday, February 15th
  - Next Meeting will be on Tuesday, 2/17/26 @ 6:30 pm at McGraw building
  - February 1st - Brian to lead Congregational Prayer for new Council Members
  - Thank you Staci Dowell for serving on the Church Council - we appreciate your time and efforts!

Addendum added 1/28/26:

- Council approved addition of funds for Security system for 2026 Budget via email on Saturday, January 24th
- Congregation meeting was postponed due to weather - new date is February 1st following church service