

ADVENT COUNCIL Meeting Minutes

February 11, 2025

Approved at the Feb. 16, 2025 Special Council Meeting

1. Call to Order & Determination of Quorum [7 PM]	<p>The meeting was held at the Advent Fireside Room and on Zoom. Paul Cook called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.</p> <p>Present were Council members Paul Cook, Tom LaRose, Cindy Anderson, Ann Hibbs (Zoom), Sandi Bordner (Zoom), Christina Meier (Zoom), Al Muniz, Karen Trinidad (Zoom), and Mark Moyer.</p> <p>Excused was Council member George Baldini,</p> <p>No visitors were present.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>A quorum for business is at least 6 members present at the meeting.</i></p>
2. Monthly Devotions	Al Muniz presented this month's devotional.
3. Reading of Minutes	<p>Comments/changes/corrections/additions to the minutes of the Jan 14 Council meeting were solicited.</p> <p>The minutes of the Jan 14, 2025 Council meeting were accepted with one change noted and corrected.</p> <p>Comments/changes/corrections/additions to the minutes of the Jan 26th Annual Congregational meeting were solicited.</p> <p>The minutes of the Jan 26, 2025 Annual Congregational meeting were accepted with no changes.</p>
4. Community Concerns & Prayers	<p>Prayer was offered for community concerns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ For healing for Jesse Hammer and for Karen Muniz's nephew Doug ◆ For the Muniz family as they grieve the passing of Al's sister Tina and Al's nephew John ◆ For Steve Geston and his family as they support him in failing health ◆ For blessings for Advent as we work through a call process for a new pastor
5. Approval of Agenda	Additions: Add RIC Progress Report to Committee Reports
6. Reports of Officers & Committees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. [Pastor's Report – on hiatus] b. President's Report – Paul is turning the President's office over to Mark Moyer for 2025. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ The Synod is closing the Bishop's office on Samuel Drive and will be vacating soon. We could inquire about Highlands Lutheran's plans after the building is closed and offer them space, at least temporarily at Advent since we are only a mile or two away from them. Mark Moyer will follow up. c. Treasurer's Report – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Mark Moyer noted that the revenue/expenses for January were as expected, with income being higher than an average month. ◆ Mark has drafted a Counting Policy and an In-Kind Gift Policy and would like feedback on the drafts from the Council by next meeting. d. Call Committee Report – Karen Trinidad reported that the committee is polishing up the Mission Site Profile to be used for the pending pastoral call and will present and discuss it at the OLTC scheduled for Feb 16. A meeting with Pr. Pam is scheduled for Sunday, Feb 16 after the OLTC.

	<p>e. Other committee reports RIC Team – ♦ There was good attendance and acceptance of the RIC Concepts presentation on Sunday, Feb 6. RIC Committee will look at the “Welcome Statement” to insure that it meets RIC guidelines. ♦ To appear more welcoming to the LGBTQIA+ Community, Advent could display a Pride flag visible outside the building until we are fully RIC compliant and we can display the RIC Logo. Paul Cook made a motion that Advent get a pride flag and display it above the church doors. Mark Moyer 2nded the motion. Council approved unanimously. Property - It looks like Verizon will owe Advent an additional \$449 for cell tower electric usage for 2024. The calculations are being reviewed and, if correct, an invoice will be sent before the end of February.</p>
<p>7. Old/Unfinished Business</p>	<p>a. Vote on Call Committee members: Karen Trinidad, Scott Anhorn & Chris Borquez were nominated as members of the Call Committee (completing the membership at 7) Council approved unanimously.</p> <p>b. Election of officers for 2025 Paul Cook presented the slate of nominations for Council officers for 2025: Mark Moyer – President (1st term) Paul Cook – Vice President (1st term) Cindy Anderson - Treasurer (1st year) Tom LaRose – Secretary Council approved unanimously.</p> <p>c. HVAC repairs – The office/classroom rooftop HVAC was replaced, on-time and on-budget. The contractor has been paid.</p> <p>d. Karen Trinidad asked that Council revisit Sunday service times now that there is no conflict with scheduling between Advent and St. Andrew. Paul Cook will set up an online survey and have Cindy send it out with the Thursday email. Choices will be 1) stay with 9AM, or 2) change to 9:30AM.</p>
<p>8. New Business</p>	<p>1. Motion to approve new signers on bank account</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion by Mark Moyer to approve signature changes for Advent bank accounts with Vectra Bank as follows: • Motion 2nded by Al Muniz. <p>Motion: Remove Mark H. Moyer as the primary signer, assign Cynthia Anderson as the primary signer, assign Mark H. Moyer back as a secondary signer, and maintain Joan P. LaRose as a secondary signer on the following bank accounts held at Vectra Bank:</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">THE ADVENT EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH DBA ADVENT LUTHERAN CHURCH GENERAL FUND 7979 MEADE ST WESTMINSTER, CO 80030-4241 COMMUNITY CHECKING ACCOUNT 4360016985</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">THE ADVENT EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH DBA ADVENT LUTHERAN CHURCH SPECIAL FUNDS 7979 MEADE ST WESTMINSTER, CO 80030-4241 BUSINESS MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT 5790780554</p>

	<p>THE ADVENT EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH DBA ADVENT LUTHERAN CHURCH BUILDING FUND 7979 MEADE ST WESTMINSTER, CO 80030-4241 BUSINESS MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT 4360075019</p> <p>THE ADVENT EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH DBA ADVENT LUTHERAN CHURCH YOUTH GROUP 7979 MEADE ST WESTMINSTER, CO 80030-4241 COMMUNITY CHECKING ACCOUNT 4362159651</p> <p>The motion was approved by a vote of 9 in favor to 0 opposed.</p> <p>2. Appointment of representatives to Synod Assembly Mark Moyer made a motion to appoint Jay and Vickie Voth as representatives to Synod Assembly for 2025. Paul Cook 2nded the motion. Council approved unanimously.</p> <p>3. Advent property division and sale Advent has vacant land that might be worth selling. Mark Moyer will follow up with a real estate contact he has who might give some insight into the possibilities and next steps in for further discussion.</p> <p>4. St. Andrew has some items of property that they will need to dispose of at their closure. Some of these would be useful to Advent. Karen Trinidad will contact St. Andrew to inquire regarding St. Andrew's plan for those items.</p>
9. Adjourn with Lord's Prayer	The meeting adjourned at 8:12 PM with the Lord's Prayer led by Paul Cook.
10. Next Meeting Date/Time	Special Council meeting Sunday, Feb. 16, after OLTC (In person) Tuesday, March 11 @ 7 PM in the Advent Fireside Room; Hybrid (in person and Zoom)

❖ Future meetings for 2025 term: April 8, May 13, June 10, July 8 (if necessary), August 12, September 9, October 14, November 11, December 9, and January 13, 2026

These are the minutes of the meeting to the best of my recollection and according to the notes taken during the meeting.

Tom LaRose, Council Secretary