

**UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH OF BALTIMORE MARYLAND**  
**CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES MARCH 9, 2021**

**Attendance:**

**Rev Cathy Oatman**

**Jennifer Borkman, President**

**Belton Moore, Vice President**

**Terri Bragg, Recording Secretary**

**Patti Baier**

**Cherry Borkman**

**Karrie Hogan**

**Travis Hogan**

**Tom Hylock**

**Steve Jankiewicz**

**Scott Johnson**

President Jennifer Borkman called the meeting to order at 6:40PM.

**Devotion:** Rev Cathy Oatman prayed.

**Minutes:** February meeting minutes were read and amended. Jennifer moved and Travis seconded to accept minutes as amended.

**Correspondence:** No report

**Financial Report:** \$25,000 was transferred to general fund but was not needed. It was noted A) The Church is only \$679.00 behind for the year. B) Church PayPal account received \$2,000 from a member to bring dues up to date. C) Members are using PayPal to pay dues.

**Old Business:** Rev Cathy, Travis, Jennifer and Scott met with Jacob, one of the buyers, last week to tour the building and review plans including the following:

- Building will not have elevator.
- Water line will be sub-metered
- Gas line will be mmove.
- Cooling tower for A/C unit will be made accessible to all parties.
- Bell tower will be made accessible to church at church's expense.
- Boiler room houses Sprint meter which will be relocated.
- Agreement with buyer requires Church, as legally a condo, to maintain exterior of building and bell tower by repainting/restoring as necessary so no chipping or peeling paint is observed.

- The major expense of contracting to have the bell tower restored and other necessary repairs need to be determined. Council members will research contractors.
- Settlement is expected to take place June or July 15, 2021.
- Lawyers Express is the closing company conducting building settlement and have requested several documents from the church in preparation. Rev Cathy provided requested documents. These minutes reflect the statement provided today including an attached ballot and additional Council approved meeting minutes. "Because of the absence of minutes from the January 2020 congregational meeting (due to the death of Recording Secretary Diane Borkman) a statement is necessary from the Council confirming the outcome of the vote taken to sell the Sunday School Building at the January congregational meeting."
- Statement: "On January 6, 2020 United Evangelical Church held its annual meeting in accordance with its by-laws. At that meeting the attached ballot was presented to those in attendance. The final tally was 51 votes for Option B, 4 votes for Option A, and 2 votes of abstention. The motion to sell the Sunday School Building outright to developers was carried."

**New Business:** No report.

**Endowment:** See Financial Report.

**Property:** Scott put handles on storage room doors. Rev Cathy and Debbie worked on walls where windows leaked. It's estimated \$40,000 will be needed to repair leaking windows and resulting damages. Choir room/area to be painted sometime in May. Many items remain to be relocated and/or removed before building sale. Rev Cathy, Travis, Belton and Scott to meet and determine additional storage areas to be constructed in church. Rev Cathy to meet with Rob regarding arrangements to move items he's responsible for.

**Missions:** Coat drive went well. The ongoing OGHS donations also going well.

**Membership:** No report.

**Fellowship:** No report.

**Altar:** Karrie reported congregation likes new more sanitary individualized Communion service.

**Pastor's Report:** A) No Easter Sunrise service this year. B) Palm Sunday will Palm for congregation. C) Holy Week will include Thursday evening (handwashing) and Friday evening services. D) Easter Sunday service will be held at 10AM beginning with the "Living Cross". E) Rev Cathy will be on vacation the week after Easter. She will arrange for coverage in her absence as necessary.

**Adjournment/Closing Prayer:** Jennifer motioned to adjourn, Cheryl seconded and meeting adjourned at 8:20PM. The meeting ended with recital of the Lord's Prayer.

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday April 13, 2021

Respectfully Submitted

Terri Bragg, Recording Secretary