

**ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
Men's Brotherhood Meeting
Minutes of August 13, 2011**

Location: St. Paul's Parish Hall
Time: 8:00 a.m.

In Attendance: Pastor Rod	Jim Gehring	Jim Grooms
Jack Frost	Randy Arndt	Ken Oehlke
Morris Sampson	Don Umberger	Mike Krainak
Jerry Frankenfield	Ron Mickley	Ray Sylte
Ken Christie	Don Wilhelm	Paul Clark
Ken Kiefer	Norman Oehlke	

Jim Gehring prepared the breakfast.
Pastor Rod said the blessing for the meal.
Brotherhood President Jim Gehring led the meeting.

The following subjects were discussed during the business portion of the meeting:

Reports

- A. The minutes of the July 9, 2011 meeting were approved as written.
- B. The Treasurer's Report was presented by Ken Christie and approved.
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Old Business

- C. St. Paul's Park Playground
 - a. Don Wilhelm reported that there is a problem with the 6x6 wood retainer walls splitting and splintering. It may be possible to cap the existing wood surfaces; will examine and make recommendations.
 - b. If replacement is needed, may need to look for a donor.
 - c. Children are using and enjoying the playground equipment.
- D. Family Outing to Baysox baseball game
 - a. Jim Gehring said 26 members and guest have signed up for tickets to attend the Baysox game scheduled for tonight.
- E. Corn Roast – Tuesday, August 16
 - a. Mike Heyser will take care of fresh produce items; Jim Grooms will provide list from 2010 corn roast.
 - b. George Mader is handling arrangements for burgers, brats and hot dogs.
 - c. Randy Arndt will pick up fresh rolls from H&S Bakery distribution center in Annapolis Junction.
 - d. The outside refrigerator unit is fixed and working
 - e. Jim Grooms said 83 tickets have already been sold and he is expecting an attendance of 135 or perhaps more for this year's Corn Roast.
 - f. Ray Sylte will need kitchen help for the dinner prep, serving and clean-up
 - g. Corn shucking and other prep work will begin at 9 a.m. Tuesday.

F. Brotherhood Treasurer

- a. Ken Christie will conclude his service as Brotherhood Treasurer in August.
- b. No candidates have come forward to fill this position.
- c. Further discussion and action will be agenda item for September meeting.

G. Water and Sewer

- a. Jerry Frankenfield reported that there have been meetings with Howard County officials about going back to the original plan of a water and sewer connection for St. Paul's only since Carl Mauck appears unable to proceed with a joint project.
- b. It should take 4-5 weeks, perhaps, to get all the documents and approvals together and acted upon.
- c. It was suggested that a certified letter should be prepared and sent to Carl Mauck informing him of St. Paul's intention to proceed independently with the water and sewer connection in order to meet the current permit deadline for work to begin by December, 2011.

New Business**H. First of the Month Club meeting**

- a. Don Wilhelm reminded Brotherhood members of the First of the Month Club event he and Carol will be host on August 20; all are invited.

I. St. Paul's Photo Directory

- a. Ron Mickley reminded Brotherhood members of the on-line sign-up for photographs for the new St. Paul's membership photo directory is now accessible on the St. Paul's website, with dates scheduled in September.

J. Fall property projects

- a. There was discussion of a fall clean-up activity, possibly in October.
- b. Don Wilhelm said the new front entry doors to the Chapel and Narthex will be removed in late August to be repaired and renovated. Volunteer help will be welcome for the stripping and refinishing work.
- c. Jack Frost suggested the posts and chains surrounding the cemetery should be extended to the area near the kitchen entrance where the two pine trees were removed.

The meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer at 9:08 a.m.

The next Brotherhood meeting is scheduled for Saturday, September 10 at 8 a.m. Jerry Frankenfield will provide the breakfast.

Respectfully Submitted,

Randy Arndt

Abbreviated by
Tony Meoni