	Council Meeting Date: 09/09/2026 Start: 7:00 pm Adjourned: 8:30 pm	**Next Meetings:** Exec Committee: Wednesday 10/07/26 7:00PM Council: Wednesday 10/14/26 7:00PM **Attendees:** Pastor Deanna Boynton, Jennifer LaFollete, Cherie Lauck, Matt Lyman, Rene Hollebrandse, Mel Siebert, Rob Cutler, Tamar Yager	

Time	Topic	Topic Details	Responsible	Discussion / Actions
7:00	Call to Order Opening Prayer		Jennifer/ Pastor Boynton	
	Approval of Agenda	Additions / Changes	Jennifer	Approved by acclimation
	Consent Agenda	August Minutes Staff Reports Vice Pastor report EC Report	Jennifer	Approved by acclimation
	August Financial Report	Review and Approve	Shawn	The corrected financial report that moved the Harvest Sunday proceeds out of miscellaneous income in the operating fund was approved.
	Financial		Shawn	The new Soundcraft Stagebox purchase was approved. KP Solutions will purchase and install.
	Facilities		Shawn	The flooring in Fellowship Hall has been completed.
	Ministry Spend Plan	Review draft	Jennifer	After some discussion regarding COLA and job descriptions, Council agreed to review job descriptions prior to the next Council Meeting. Most other questions were answered during this meeting in preparation for a final draft and approval at the October meeting.
	Pastoral Transition	Vote on Ministry Site Profile	Jennifer	The Ministry Site Plan was approved by application. Jennifer will submit the document to the Bishop and Becky Walls, and there may be some editing required after their review. There was also discussion about a Pastor's Job Description. There is not currently a description other than the duties spelled out in the constitution. Pastor Boynton recommended that a ministry support committee be set up to accompany a new pastor job description.

	New Members		Cherie	Cherie reported that one couple and two women want to join Bethel, and another person wants to transfer membership to Bethel. A second transfer is considering transferring membership.
	Council Nominations		Jennifer	Council still has three slots to fill, in addition to seeking a short term fill-in for Lynda Grymala who has resigned for health reasons.
	Stewardship Sunday		Jennifer	Jennifer will draft a letter to accompany the Stewardship mailing. Matt will review the Ministry and Activity sheet so Nina can determine if a regular envelope and postage will suffice.
	Upcoming Events		Jennifer/All	● Wedding, September 12 ● God's Work. Our Hands, September 13 ● Trivia, September 18 ● Sunday School Rally, September 20 ● Lexi Grymala Baby Shower, September 26 ● Shrimp Boil, September 27 ● Bethel Pride Day at MSV, October 3 ● Council meeting, October 14 ● Stewardship Sunday, October 18 ● Reformation Sunday, October 25 ● Pack 10 Car Show & Trunk-or-Treat at Bethel, October 31 7-3
	National Youth Gathering funding			Rachel and Cory Carlson will send a letter asking the Elks for funding assistance for the 2027 National Youth Gathering.
	Congregational Joys and Concerns		All	Brief Sharing for Prayer
	Closing Prayer and Adjournment		Pastor Boynton	