

**NEW MILFORD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
**CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**November 8, 2022**  
**Minutes**

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 pm in the church sanctuary

**Steve Kolitz**

Since we will not be selling Christmas trees this year, the two major fundraisers for the church are the Fall Fair and the Harrybrooke scare night event. The Council members were asked last meeting to canvass their committee members for ideas on other possible fundraisers. Pat Tripp said she and Jan Parsons will take an online food course to be better prepared if we offer dinners, etc.

Sunday, November 13, 2022 is the Charge Conference to be held at Bethel UMC at 2:30 PM and all are encouraged to attend. The address of the church is 141 Greenwood Ave,

Tonight's Council session will be focused on the 2023 budget and only business requiring presentation or approval by the Council will be entertained.

**Chris Prause:**

We have not heard back from the Boy Scouts and they have not returned the signed Facility Usage form. Chris will email them for an update on whether they have secured a charter sponsor and if they intend to use our church facility.

Trees for the New Milford green will still be secured from Angevine Farm.

**Jerry Jones:**

The current Ameriprise account which is 80% stock and 20% fixed will remain as such for now until we evaluate any other possibilities for our money. We have changed it from a "managed" account to a "non-managed" account to save costs by Ameriprise.

The FY 2023 budget for the church and Education Center will be presented to the congregation after the Sunday service on December 4, 2022. The meeting will be held in the sanctuary and there will be a luncheon (sandwiches and chips and drinks) downstairs after the meeting.

Jerry noted that "giving" remains down by almost \$25,000. The Church budget is balanced from the equity transfer from the Education Center. A motion was made by Jerry Jones to approve the Church and Education Center budgets with the amended amount of \$5,000 to Trustees rather than the \$4000 on the budget spreadsheet. The motion was seconded by Pat Tripp and Mike Hopp. The motion passed unanimously.

The budget, now approved by the Council, will be delivered to the Charge Conference on November 13, 2022. The budgets are included as part of this document.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Harold Jacobson  
(Council secretary)