Meeting was opened at 7:04 p.m. with Pastor Darrell opening in prayer. Members present were Rich Hoffelmeyer, Charlotte Mehrtens, Mary Lou Peter, Kurt Pellmann, Sherry Wynn, Better Keller Timmer, Pastor Darrell, and Amanda Frierdich.

**Treasurer's Report:** Amanda distributed copies of the Treasurer's Report. Mary Lou made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, and Sherry seconded; motion carried.

**BCE Report:** No report at this time.

**Minutes:** The February 13, 2023 minutes were reviewed by Council. A motion was made by Rich and seconded by Sherry to approve the February 13, 2023 minutes; motion carried.

**Pastor's Report:** Pastor Darrell had sent his Pastor's Report of his activities for the previous month. The Lenten Season is underway. We have one Confirmand, Jacob Doerr. His project is a Christian and inspirational book box that will be located outside the back entrance. Pastor was the On-Call Chaplain on February 15<sup>th</sup> at Memorial Hospital, his next time is March 14<sup>th</sup>. He will be attending the installation of EA Pastor Jim Allen at Trinity Church in Mt. Vernon, Indiana. The Date is TBD. Bill Savering will lead Worship that Sunday. Pastor went through his summer vacation plans. Motion to approve Pastor's Report; motion carried.

Renewing Zion Church: No report at this time.

## **Committee Reports**

Audit & Budget: A mid-term audit and budget were discussed by Betty.

**Long Range Ministry:** No report at this time.

**Missions & Outreach:** Mary Lou reported that we have received \$2,423.

**Staff/Parish Relations:** If anything needs to be reported or addressed, please bring it to Darren's attention.

**Property:** Rich reported that they are looking into a new lawn mower. They have purchased new smoke alarms for the church and will be replacing them soon. They have received a bid for new lights for the bell tower.

**Volunteer Ministries:** No report at this time.

**Worship & Music:** Rich made a motion to purchase a Bluetooth wireless stereo receiver, cable, microphone, and stereo bar microphone mount. Betty seconded; motion carried.

**Cemetery Board:** Kurt reported that they are discussing white pines on the south side of the cemetery, and also a wrought iron fence.

## **Old Business:**

**New Business:** Easter breakfast was discussed. It was decided that helpers need to be at the church at 5:30 a.m. A Christmas Eve service at 11:00 p.m. was discussed. The Girl Scouts that meet in the Fellowship Hall approached us about having a sleepover here. The Council agreed to allow the sleepover.

Motion to adjourn was made by Rich, seconded by Mary Lou; motion carried. Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Kurt Pellmann – President

Barb Scharf – Vice President

Charlotte Mehrtens – Secretary