

Hamline Church United Methodist Church Council Meeting Minutes

August 25, 2026 - 7:00pm In-Person (Hamline Church, Parlor)

Gil Young, Amy Ireland, Brian Lulek, Emma Close, Mariah Furness Tollgaard, Jay Alexander, Becky Omdahl, Kathy Schill, Miriam Friesen, Peter Quayle, Angela Wolf Scott, Douglas Gardner, Dan McConnell, Pete Theisen, Sharon Fields, Priscilla Luitjens, Carol Anderson

7:00 Welcome & Check In

Gil opened the meeting with a welcome to new Council Members: Peter Quayle (Finance), Douglas Gardner (Trustees), Dan McConnell (Trustees)

His opening check-in question was How or where have you seen or experienced God recently through the ministry of Hamline Church; and, What is your favorite job at the dining hall?

7:15 Consent Agenda (5 min) Minutes (att 02. Minutes June) Gil asked for a motion to approve. Carol made the motion. Miriam seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

7:20 Discussion Agenda

Finance Update – Kathy Schill (att 03. Financial report) Kathy explained the dashboard in the Financial Report. She mentioned the concerning figures and their relation to a lack of tenant. She also stated we will hold off on apportionments since we have plenty in reserves.

Trustees Update – Sharon (att 04a&b. Facilities Update) Sharon discussed the flooring situation. (Schneider Carpet One \$20,827.23 (att 05. Schneider Flooring Quote). Gil called for a motion to move ahead. Amy made the motion. Priscilla seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Sharon then discussed the Roof Repair Phase 2 (Commercial Roofing \$13,000 (att 06. Additional Roof Repair Quote). Carol made a motion to move ahead. Dan seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Last, Sharon discussed the MN Historical Society MEP Grant. (HGA Bid approval \$19,950 (att 07. HGA Mech Systems) We will be able to have HGA come in and look over our Heating/Cooling systems and let us know how we could proceed to update. Gil asked for a motion to approve. Miriam made the motion. Jay seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Mariah then went over some of the main Fall Updates (Fall Ministry Updates – Mariah (att 08. Important Dates 26-27) She then passed out certificates as a thank you to outgoing Council Members Carole Anderson, Aaron Anderson, Pete Theisen, and Priscilla Luitjens. Finally she mentioned Church Council Logistics: 2026-27 Meeting Dates (att 09. Meeting Dates 2026-2027) This included newly added in-person meetings.

8:30 Adjourn & Closing Prayer Mariah closed the meeting in prayer. Gil asked for a motion to adjourn. Anjela made the motion. Pete seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Important Dates:

- *Aug 27 - Sept 7 - Dining Hall Open at State Fair*
- *Aug 30 - Last day of SPROUT garden programming*

- *Aug 30 - Music & Arts: Air Force Big Band*
- *Sept 9 - Back to School Bash*
- *Sept 14 - Taize Worship begins*
- *Sept 16 - Wed Night Connection begins*
- *Sept 19 - UMW Fall Market*
- *Sept 20 - Rally Sunday (outdoor event)*

Next Meeting – Tuesday, September 22 at 7pm, Zoom