

Congregational Meeting Minutes
Gashland Evangelical Presbyterian Church
February 7, 2021

Moderator: Pastor Ritchey Cable called the meeting to order at 12:49 PM after confirming a quorum.

A. PRAYER: Pastor Cable opened the meeting with prayer.

B. AGENDA ADOPTION: Pastor Cable announced the agenda as follows:

1. Vote on Tom Clapham for the office of Elder Class of 2022 vacancy as nominated by the Nominating Team. This position would also serve on the Board of Trustees if elected.
2. Presentation and discussion of the FY2021 Budget as approved by Session.
3. Presentation and vote on changes to Terms of Call for Pastors Cable and Morefield.

C. Discussion:

1. Elder Marshall, Nominating Team, explained the voting process by written secret ballot for those in attendance physically and the process for voting electronically for those in attendance virtually. Online voting was proctored by Pastor Morefield and in person voting was proctored by several Church officers attending the meeting in person. The Nominating put forth Tom Clapham in nomination to fill the vacant Elder position in the Class of 2022. Upon tabulation of the in-person and online vote, Tom Clapham was approved for election to the position by unanimous vote.
2. Phil Josephson, Finance Team, presented the FY2021 budget as approved by the Session. Phil provided a summary of the budget process, expense and revenue assumptions factored into the budget for the coming year. In addition, he provided a comparison of expenses and revenue for the previous five-year period 2016-2020 versus 2021 projections. Phil emphasized the hope that each member would prayerfully consider making an additional contribution beyond any pledged giving to help offset the budget item for planned Church giving to the denomination and presbytery per member asking in the amount of \$38 per member. Phil entertained a number of questions from members regarding different aspects of the budget. He concluded the presentation by thanking the members of the Finance, Stewardship and Counter teams for their work throughout the year.
3. Phil Josephson presented the Changes in Terms of Call for Pastors Cable and Morefield reflecting an approximate 4.5% cost of living increase. After discussion of the proposal, he called for a motion to vote on the changes – moved by Peter Marshall, seconded by Jeff Van Der Weele. A voice vote was held, and the motion was approved by unanimous acclamation.

D. Adjournment

Pastor Cable called for a motion to adjourn. Mark Blakley moved, second by Phil Josephson, the congregational meeting be adjourned. A voice vote was held. All yes. Motion passed. The meeting was concluded with prayer by Pastor Morefield at 1:28 PM.

Paul Weatherford/Clerk of Session

Pastor Ritchey Cable/Moderator