

**COUNCIL CONNECTIONS for October 2023**  
**Council Actions and Information**

**Council Continuing Business**

Members of Council realized that more volunteer help is needed for the planned Reformation Sunday Potluck Meal following the service on October 29. Several Hospitality Groups have stepped up to help. This was especially important because Saturday, October 28 is also the Community Free Meal.

The motion passed to replace the four RTU's with cracked heat exchangers. Bids had been obtained from two HVAC companies for comparison. KoG is using our current HVAC vendor (ACCO Engineering) and replacement plans are in motion.

The Blue Room Respite Ministry will not be pursued at KoG. Council will be providing an apology to those who were offended by this ministry and work is ongoing to provide a checklist in the future for council decision-making, to take the needs of all members into account.

**Council Reports**

Here are some highlights from Pastor Connie's report to Council: (1) the new Administrative Assistant, Rebecca Darga, is working out very well, she has office hours M-F 9:00 am – 3:00 pm. (2) Luther Heights "Campfirmation" this year seems to be a hit with our three confirmands. (3) The NWIM Synod Council was very appreciative of the opportunity to use KoG for its Council Meeting the day prior to Bishop Meggan Manlove's installation, which occurred on Saturday, October 7<sup>th</sup>. (4) Five new members are being welcomed into membership at KoG on Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup> or throughout the month of November.

For reports from other committees supported with a council liaison, please use this link: <https://www.koglutheran.org/committees>

**LEAP/Veolia Task Force Report**

Vacant Land Sale and Addendum contracts with LEAP were signed on September 27, 2023; Veolia PSA is in progress with their attorney and there are plans to submit to our attorney for approval prior to signing. An agreement was reached with the invoicing of legal fees. Our attorney is billing at a reduced rate. KoG will pay the invoices as they are generated and LEAP will reimburse KoG for one-half of these expenses at the closing of this transaction. MIF, our insurance provider, does not feel the sales will be a concern regarding the mortgage paydown requirement, as they are more concerned with cash flow. A Town Hall Neighborhood meeting will be held on Thursday, November 2nd, involving everyone owning property within a 500-foot radius of the parcel divisions proposed. KoG will host this event. LEAP is sending an informative mailer on 10/23/2023 by USPS to the neighborhood surrounding KoG, inviting them to this Town Hall Meeting.

**Masking**

We do not know what sort of viral barrage we may encounter this fall and winter. Thank you for your continuing efforts to enable this community of faith to be together in-person. The Community Risk Level continues to be Low.

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