



## Monthly Business Meeting – Highlights and Summary of Minutes

(Detailed minutes, recorded by the clerk, are located in the Secretary's Office)

The Monthly Business Meeting was held on **October 9, 2019**. Bro. Billy Compton was not able to be at the meeting due to Sue Ann having eye surgery this morning and she required a longer stay than initially thought due to her response to anesthesia. She is home and recuperating with Bro. Billy as her caregiver. Mark Carney, Assistant Moderator, lead the Business Meeting. All the committees gave their reports. (1) Truck or Treat has been scheduled for October 23, 2019. Multiple members of the Safety/Security Team will be patrolling the premises during the activity in order to protect the grounds and the members, children, and visitors present. (2) Donnie Veatch, representing the Trustee Committee, reported that much of the work has been completed on the baptistry and they are getting ready to reseal it. He reports it is looking good. (3) MHBC members who were selected as messengers during the last Business Meeting participated in the Fall Associational Meeting at Bradfordsville Baptist Church on October 7, 2019. Members of the Adult Choir provided music at the event.

In Old Business: (1) It was reported that the application for the new credit card continues to be in the process. Once it becomes available the kitchen items will be purchased that have been on hold until the card is available. (2) The members present were asked to stand in order for paper ballots to be handed out so a vote could be taken in relation to the motion brought last month to enlist the services of Bayus Design Works to prepare a Master Plan for MHBC at a cost not to exceed \$17,500 plus reimbursable expenses such as mileage and printing fees. The clerk and assistant clerk (Charlotte Benningfield and Linda Sabo) tallied the ballots and gave the results to Mark Carney who reported there were 44 "no" votes and 11 "yes" votes. Therefore, the motion was not passed.

In New Business: (1) Jim Sabo, Jr., representing the Personnel Committee, reported that there have been no applications or resumes received for the posted Secretary/Treasurer position. He said the committee has been consulting with a local CPA office and have determined that they would like to recommend to the church that the Secretary/Treasurer position should be divided into two parts: outsource the bookkeeping/accounting aspect of it to a CPA office and post a position for a separate secretary/clerical position. Bids would be taken and presented to the church for the CPA aspect. The Personnel Committee would have to develop a new job description for the secretary position and the Constitution and ByLaws

Committee will have to make changes to the document to bring to the church for approval. A motion was made at this time to divide the position into the two parts. The motion was voted on and approved.

At the close of all business, Evelyleen Taylor asked to be recognized to the floor. She showed the members a very old tattered and worn (the cover was hanging loose and she noted a hole worn through the cover where his thumb was positioned) Bible that her husband, Ernest Carol Taylor, had used for a long period of time. She described how when he was asked to pray during church services, he always included a prayer thanking God for the forefathers and prayed that he would not be a weak link in the future of the church. She also named several members or couples that have since passed on in the past few years who were very faithful servants and were definitely not weak links. She said the church is not the facility or building but it is the members, pointing to everyone present, and encouraged each person to not be the weak links as our church moves forward.

With no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned.