

Building Committee Meeting  
September 11, 2008  
7:00 pm  
Church Library

In attendance: Brad A'Hearn, Al Beach, Susanne Haehlen, Linda Kelly, Kay McGuire, Mike Morgan, Dana Mortensen, Tom Padley, Sean Poston, Jerry Van Dyke, and Linda Jenkins

Pastor Mike opened with a prayer.

Everyone received a packet that showed the demographics of where the most active members live in our church. The packet also included information from Scott Olson (Skogman Realtor) about the 7 sites that are available to us.

From the packet:

Our congregation lives mostly in Marion and Cedar Rapids.  
Most of us drive less than 5 miles to church.  
Growth is to the north and east.  
We viewed pictures of the demographics for Marion and Cedar Rapids.  
We looked at the growth of similar churches in Marion and Cedar Rapids.

Dana shared information about the Site Option Summary  
After the committee looked at all 7 sites, then we discussed which sites everyone liked.

Site # 1 City will not service for 5 to 10 years  
Site # 2 This site would have tax credits, and the owners might be willing to work with us.  
Site # 3 City will not service for 5 to 10 years.  
Site # 4 No one seemed interested in the Driving Range area  
Site # 5 This site is too far away.  
Site # 6 This site would also have tax credits, and the owners might be willing to work with us.  
Site # 7 This site is difficult to get to, and we don't know about future roads in that area.

Everyone likes sites 2 and 6  
Decent size parcel  
Accessible  
Visible

Site 2 is listed for sale with Bob Berger(spelling?)  
Site 6 is not listed.

We are also interested in the property north of site 2 and the property next to it.

Jerry will call Scott Olson and ask him to get more information on properties 2 and 6. He will also ask Scott to check on the property north of site 2 and the property next to it.

Pastor Mike said there are 2 items to consider for the next meeting with EC Committee on Building and Location:

1. We want permission to pursue this property area, and we want them to give us the approval to begin.
2. We need to provide evidence that we need to build a new church.  
What do we need from them to move forward?  
Let them tell us what they want.

Next meeting is September 25<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 pm in the Carnegie Building with EC Committee on Building and Location.

There will be a meeting on October 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.

Meeting adjourned around 8:20 pm