

**Trustees Meeting Minutes
Downs United Methodist Church
January 3, 2006**

- **Present:** Jon Spelde, Dale Palmer, Curt Rush, Darla Lanchester, Mac Fuller, Andre McNaught, Craig Solvie, Ken Garling
- Curt opened with prayer.
- **Old Business:**
 - **Approval of Meeting Minutes:** Andre made a motion the November meeting minutes be approved. Mac seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - **Building Construction:**
 - The zoning board meeting is set!! January 26 is the meeting. It's at 6:30 pm at the Village Hall.
 - The first Thursday of the month is the usual meeting date for the Village Board, and that will be February 2. The meeting is at 7:00 pm at the Village Hall, and it will be to approve annexation, subdivision, and rezoning. After the Village Board meeting, if approved, we will be able to buy the property.
 - The conference office is no longer asking us to return the grant money. It was a misunderstanding.
 - In three to four weeks, we will have construction drawings from Morton.
- **New Business:**
 - Dale welcomed new members Craig Solvie and Ken Garling. Shari Riley and Dale Palmer are the retiring trustees. Suzann Erlenbush, Craig Solvie, and Ken Garling are the new trustees.
 - Darla nominated Jon Spelde for chairperson of the trustees for 2006. Andre seconded. Motion carried.
 - Craig Solvie nominated Darla for the position of secretary for 2006. Andre seconded. Motion carried.
 - Budget billing for gas for church, old parsonage, and annex together went from \$285 a month to \$597. December's actual bill was \$715.
 - Church Mutual sent us an application for liability insurance. (We have to reapply every three years, according to the terms of our policy.) Dale has been filling this out, and will have Janice fill in some of the information. This covers church employees and officers.
 - We are switching the meetings to the first Monday of each at 6:00 pm. The next meeting will be Monday, February 6, at 6:00 pm.
 - **Work Orders:**
 - Clock in sanctuary
 - Front door has weather stripping problems. Dave Bach will fix this. Dale bought weather stripping from the door manufacturer for him to use, but he took this back, because they were able to fix the existing stripping.
 - Prayer room benches: The benches are done. Maxwell Counters is selling us a custom table for \$85 delivered.
 - Tree removal (parsonage): This will be done soon. There was a delay due to a family situation.
 - Radon test (parsonage): Test readings were 1.3 and 1.4. Anything over 4.0 has to be addressed, so these readings are excellent.
 - Ken made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mac seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 7:03 pm.