

Installation Services.

Minutes of council held at Hope, N. Dak., August 11th 1891.

Pastors and delegates present:

Dwight, Rev. A. J. Pike, pastor.

Fargo 1st, Rev. N. N. Yergen, pastor.

Harwood, Rev. Geo. H. Whiteman, pastor.

Rose Valley, Rev. J. J. Davy, pastor.

Amenia, Rev. M. L. Stimson, pastor, and Mrs. J. Reed.

Mayville, Rev. Geo. Curtis, pastor, and Dea. G. P. Haber,

Dawson, T. W. Thurston, pastor, and Mrs. Thurston,

Fargo, E. H. Stickney.

A quorum being present Rev. E. H. Stickney moved Rev. Geo. Curtis be Moderator. Rev. Geo. Curtis receiving majority of votes cast was therefore elected Moderator and conducted the council in prayer.

Voted that Rev. G. H. Whiteman temporary scribe be made permanent scribe.

Clerk of the church having read records relating to call of Rev. T. W. Haven, as pastor, and his acceptance of same it was voted that records be accepted and the examination of candidate be proceeded with.

Letters of recommendation were read by the scribe. Council voted examination be conducted by the Moderator.

Bro. Haven having given a statement of his belief and religious experience and the members of the council having questioned him it was voted that examination be arrested and that council be alone.

Voted that services be held at 8 p. m., and that sermon be preached by Rev. N. N. Yergen and that the council have a further interview with Bro. Haven, not having concluded its business.

Bro. Haven having read and assented to doctrinal statement of belief contained in Tompkin Manual and being closely questioned by members of the council it was voted by ballot to sustain examination and proceed with the ordination and installation services.

Voted, Rev. V. N. Yergen and Dea. Haber be a committee to arrange with Pastor for services of the evening.

Committee gave report of evening services, and same was adopted.

Minutes were read by the Scribe and approved.

Order of evening services as recommended by the committee was as follows:

Reading of Scripture Lesson Rev. A. J. Pike and Prayer by Rev. J. J. Davy Rose Valley.

Sermon, Rev. V. N. Yergen, of Fargo.

Prayer of ordination, Rev. G. Curtis, of Mayville.

Charge to Pastor, Rev. E. H. Stickney.

Charge to people, Rev. T. W. Thurston.

Right hand, Rev. M. L. Stimson.

Rev. G. H. Whiteman Scribe, Harwood.