

Minutes for Parish Council Meeting

April 18, 2016

Members Present: Fr. Tony Fortman, Ashley Duling, Eric Kaufman, Dale Warnecke, Jane Kaufman, Chris Hoehn, Lisa Meyer, Zach Morman, Amber Ellerbrock, Scott Welch (Finance Committee)

Absent: Jan Schroeder

1. The opening prayer was offered by Fr. Tony Fortman.
2. The March meeting minutes were read by the secretary. Motion for approval was made by Lisa Meyer and seconded by Brian Schroeder. The minutes were approved.
3. Capital Campaign update: Pledged - \$711,549 and Paid - \$533,495.
4. The contract with Conrad Schmitt has been signed and mailed, along with the down payment of \$35,000. The rest of the down payment will be sent July 1st, when we start a new fiscal year. They will be coming to look over the project again sometime in the next few months.
5. Ashley Duling is working on the budget for the coming year and discussed the need to prioritize the church work that had been set aside, in case extra funding comes in. That was accomplished.
6. Just Go Dry suggested cleaning the aisle ways in the church and the hallways of the Parish Center at this time. After the church work is completed next spring we can include the sanctuary and pew areas for cleaning as well. They gave us the following quotes: Aisle ways - \$525; Parish Center - \$875; Sanctuary - \$575; and Pew Areas - \$575.
7. We were contacted with the possibility of providing continuous video security of the sanctuary area 24/7. Real-time video would mean the constant viewing accessibility of that area of the church via internet at a yearly cost of around \$1100/year. The council discussed it but felt that it may be considered intrusive to those praying in church and therefore not the type of security we are interested in.
8. Jerry Hanneman is checking into blacktop quotes from Ward's and Ruhe Asphalt.
9. Six old church pews have been restored for less than \$500. Three of them are in the Parish Center atrium, and the remaining three will be put in once ready. The altar from the former Cuba church is also being taken from storage. Wheels may be attached to it for movability, and we may use it when our church is being fiber glassed and painted.
10. The new Parish Council members voted in are Jeff Ellerbrock, Tom Nienberg, Michelle Leopold and Traci Schierloh.
11. Auto electronic giving is now listed in the bulletin as a monthly average of \$778/week.
12. The Park Board has indicated interest in the pea gravel from the old play equipment area for Deters Park.
13. Someone had asked about the possibility of looking at and receiving as a donation, the high altar/tabernacle complex from St. Hedwig's (Toledo) church which is closed. After some discussion, we decided against it, given the scope of the projects we have ahead of us already.
14. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday May 11 at 7:00 p.m. as a joint meeting with the Finance council.
15. Closing prayer was done by Fr. Tony.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Hoehn