

September 18, 2019

**St. Joseph Finance Council Minutes**

Those present are highlighted in yellow:

Mike Kight, Chair	Father Brian Sattler	Joyce Woodward	Sheila Rahn
Lynne Larson	Loretta Barrett	Lois Blanchette	
cc - Jeannie Saccomanno Office	cc Bob Watkins, Chair Parish Council		Visitor Mike Schmidt Visitor Dutch Van Blaricom Visitor Chris Boza Visitor Greg Woodard

Mike discussed variations in funding from last year to this.

There is a difference in Youth Ministry due to vacant position.

St. Joseph, St. Thomas, Francis Xavier, St. Pat and Assumption have combined resources to fund a youth minister. St. Thomas is contributing \$15,500, FX \$3,500, St. Pat \$3,500, Assumption \$10,000, and St. Joseph \$5,000. JJ has been hired and oversight is provided by St. Thomas. He is housed at St. Thomas. Committee agreed to support this endeavor financially in July. We will make monthly payments beginning in September

The balance sheet was reviewed. Questions regarding Line Item #1203 and Line Item #2500 regarding difference in amounts for building fund. Mike will research.

Line Item 3150 – Restricted funds of \$25,000 for event center. It was agreed Mike would explore investment opportunities for these funds though the Diocese.

Rectory – Line Item #1207. Funds have been received for rental of rooms. It was agreed these funds could be spent to buy necessary items for the rectory. First up is lawn furniture.

Rectory apartment is rented for \$1,000 per month. The renters may leave by year end. It is hoped we can get a retired priest to move in after that. The priest would be able to fill in at the parish during Father’s absence, and help out in other areas. The other apartment would rent for \$600 to theologians.

Golf tournament will be September 12 at 12:30 at Deer Park. Benefit theologians. Dinner with the Bishop has been donated for an auction item. Chuck Meeks is chairing. Father explained he hoped this would be a rotating event yearly, and we would hand the tournament to another parish the following year.

Questions regarding itemizing Fixed Assets – Line item 1600. Loretta will talk with Jeanie to see if we have further detail to itemize. Father Brian will talk with Father Mike K to see if he has records.

During the last meeting, Father requested funding for tree removal and limbing. The Finance Council asked for the information below prior to approving funding.

It was suggested and approved that Father would ask the Parish Council to develop a list of priorities that may need to be funded in this new fiscal year. The Parish Council will then provide that information to the Finance Council for review.

Father advised the Parish Council has asked that we approve the funding for tree removal, etc., and make it a priority. Chris Boza volunteered to do a sight review and make recommendations regarding a management plan to the Parish Council and the Finance Council prior to our making a final decision. Finance Council approved.

Greg advised he had previously worked on a committee to do a maintenance plan for the parish. He would like to again do so, working with Dean, our maintenance employee, and with Greg's brother, Steve Woodard, to review parish needs and to prioritize those needs. Included in this review will be lighting and HVAC.

This would help with the Parish Council's list of priorities to recommend to the Finance Council.

It was requested that the Parish Council share their meeting minutes in a timely manner with the Finance Council. The Finance Council, in turn, will share their meeting minutes in a timely manner with the Parish Council. We would also like to see that both sets of minutes are posted on the parish website.

We would also like to see the monthly stewardship report updated on the web site.

Lois will contact Jeannie to determine the best way to make that happen.

Next meeting will be Wednesday, October 23 at 1 p.m. at Pipeline.