



## Parish Council Meeting Minutes

June 1, 2017

Present: Terri Zunis, Annette Linden, Bernadette Gross, Don Carmichael, Jon Axe, Vicki Simkovich, Fr. John, Grace Ogonek, Dan White, Jim Jaskowiak, Danielle Scheetz, Mark Manning

Opening Prayer – 7:00 pm

- I. Faith Sharing (fifteen minutes – reading was [JN 20:19-23](#) (led by Annette Linden).
- II. Review and approval of May minutes – reviewed and approved.
- III. Discussion Items
  - A. Parish Goals subcommittee – David Delambo was unable to attend this Parish Council Meeting. Fr. John will determine whether David Delambo can join us July 8<sup>th</sup> to help Council develop Parish Goals for Our Lady Queen of Peace Church.
  - B. Membership for Parish Council beginning in October. Bernadette Gross will not be coming back to serve on Council next year. We will need to find a parishioner to take her place.
  - C. Other –
    - i. Grafton Village is having a Bicentennial parade at 6:30 pm on Saturday, July 1<sup>st</sup>. Knights of Columbus will have a float, it would be good to have our parish represented, too. We need to have a representative from each ministry in the parade. Other parishioners can join as well. JAJ will invite the heads of ministries. Line up for participants will be at 5:30 pm at the Grafton Police Department.
    - ii. A parishioner mentioned that during events like Ladies Night Out, donations might increase if we have a stated plan during the event for where the donated money will be used. The remodeled restrooms in the Parish Hall are an example of where this money was used this year.
- IV. Committee Reports
  - A. Finance (Fr. John) –
    - i. OLQP is in the last month of our fiscal year and still within our budget. Collections this year were slightly higher than budgeted.
    - ii. Diocese wants every parish to hold an offertory increase campaign.
    - iii. Proceeds from the mortgage reduction collection continue to decrease. We still have \$700,000 of principal remaining on our mortgage.
    - iv. Rooted in Faith Campaign concludes in 6 months.
    - v. Money previously allocated for a new sign will now be used to repair the roof of the chapel. 5-year capital projects fund is stretched. The ceiling inside the chapel will be repaired after the chapel roof repairs are complete.
  - B. Building (Fr. John) – Nothing to report.



- C. Welcoming (Danielle Scheetz) – We had ten new parishioners this time. We have 7 welcoming packets available at the masses. The next Welcome Weekend is the end of July on July 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>.
- D. Pre-Cana (Jon Axe) – Nothing to report.
- E. Greater Grafton Partnership (Terri Zunis) – Nothing to report.
- F. Youth (Julie Gale) – Nothing to report.
- G. Festival (Julie Gauvreau) – Nothing to report.
- H. Parish Organizations
  - iii. Holy Name (Dan White) –
    - a. The HNS will be conducting a blood drive on Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm.
    - b. The HNS Corporate Communion Mass is every second Sunday of the month during the 8:30 am mass. Coffee and donuts are served following the mass.
    - c. The Golf Outing May 20<sup>th</sup> was successful, but the head count was down.
  - iv. Knights of Columbus (Mark Manning) – Nothing to report.
  - v. Prayer Shawl (Bernadette Gross) – Kathy Smeltz is the new head of the Prayer Shawl Ministry. They are just getting underway and getting organized.
  - vi. Comfort Caps (Vicki Simkovich) - Kathy missed the group meeting. Kathy will let Vicki know when the new dates are scheduled.
  - vii. Ladies Guild (Annette Linden) –
    - a. There will be an audit of the books this summer.
    - b. The next meeting is September 18<sup>th</sup>.
  - viii. Parish Nurse (Bernadette Gross) – There will be blood work done from 8-12 am on Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, in the Gathering Area of the church.
  - ix. Helping Hands (Don Carmichael) – Nothing to report.
- III. Pastor's Address – Already covered in "Other".
- IV. Items for July Agenda – Will firm up date of Parish Council Picnic.
- V. Closing prayer – 8:15 pm.