

Parish Council Meeting Minutes
September 2, 2021

Members Present: Fr. John, Mike Ruebensaal, Sandy Yovanovich, Darlene Stutz, Ann Pickering, Andy Booth, Christine Serdinak, Greg Dore, Dan Lewis, Dan White, Ray Toombs, Rob Drawl, Chuck Magel and Elizabeth Miketo, Director of Parish Catechesis.

Opening Prayer

- I. Faith Sharing led by Darlene Stutz (Mark 7:31-37)
- II. Approval of June Meeting Minutes by Dan White, 2nd motion by Ann Pickering
- III. Update on Flocknote by Greg Dore: We've reached 402 members, approximately 76%. Will again reach out to parishioners in bulletin, looking for others to join. Greg also spoke of selling polo shirts with Our Lady Queen of Peace logo/15th Anniversary stitched on the front. Will continue to pursue for more details.
- IV. Farewell to the following 3 members: Ray Toombs, Greg Dore, and Dan White. Fr. John led us in prayer and blessing of the three members. New members joining Parish Council at the October meeting will be Rosemarie Pierson, Chris Martin and Beth Adams.
- V. Parish Council Retreat is now scheduled for Saturday, December 4th, 8:30-12:30. Please meet in the church. Rick Kervanka, retired Director of the Jesuit Retreat House, will be leading the retreat. Council has suggested to have an exercise to "break the ice" and provide thoughts/discussions to help engage the youth of our Parish. Please bring any other ideas to the October meeting.
- VI. Our Lady Queen of Peace 15th Anniversary celebration is being planned by Joyful Disciples for Friday evening, October 29th. Ideas for the upcoming year are welcome as we continue the celebration. Some ideas discussed were: community outreach, a time capsule and the planning of the Parish Mission (September 22nd). Also, the Building Committee will be launching their vision for the new buildings.
- VII. Grafton Village Revitalization Program representative is tentatively Andy Booth. He is researching details regarding responsibilities and involvement of this role.

VIII. Father John's address:

1. Father read "Thank You" notes written by Jillian Filipiak and Samantha Hruby for the scholarships awarded to them by the Parish. Samantha also expressed her gratefulness of her faith and the support she was given during her difficult journey from Father John.
2. The Building Committee is looking at designs for the office space, parish center and rectory. They are obtaining assessments of the current old buildings. The estimated cost for the new buildings is \$3.2 million. Diocese has been notified and are in favor of pursuing new buildings. Finance and Parish Councils will have a joint meeting before presenting to Parishioners.
3. Capital Campaign "Change Our World". We have entered into a contract with them with a 4-6 week initial phase. Hopefully to answer the question of "how much can we possibly raise during this campaign?" They will also send out a survey to get input from parishioners. 15-20 people will be selected for beginning of campaign to obtain major donations.
4. The Heart of the Shepherd Campaign. Finance Council has recommended no campaign to our parishioners, instead the monies will come from 15% of our offertory every year for 3 years, which is approximately \$32,000 a year. Money from the sale of Elm Street property will be used for it and any money left will be applied to the architect/campaign.
5. The Our Lady Queen of Peace bulletin has resumed being printed by a company.
6. Proposed adding an educational part – "Formed-Parish Renewal Series" for the upcoming council meetings. This will be 5-10 minute segments which we can view and discuss.

IX. Mike Ruebensaal gave his final remarks as he leaves his chairperson position

X. Next meeting is October 7 at 7PM

Faith Sharing Leader is Rob Drawl (Mark 10: 17-30) pg. 136

Closing Prayer