

ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Parish Council Minutes

Friday, September 27, 2019 at 7:00 PM

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Father Hernando Gomez, Jim Yates, Geno Davidson, Lupita Gonzalez, Kathy Kasnic, Lucille Villalobos, Maria Quintero, Sheila Tavano

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mikol Maitland, Elizabeth Santana, Craig Davis

GUEST: Colette Polaski, Vianey Gonzalez (FaithWorks Representative), Peter Huerta.

Jim Yates, president, opened the meeting at 7:00 PM.

Father Hernando Gomez led the council in prayer.

The last council minutes were approved as sent.

There were no minutes from St. James.

PASTORS COMMENTS: FATHER HERNANDO GOMEZ:

1. Father Pepin is out of town for another few weeks. He has notified us that he is recovering well after his surgery. He plans to return on October 28<sup>th</sup>.
2. Bishop Soto has called a Convocation for all diocesan priests. It will take place from October 7<sup>th</sup> to the 11<sup>th</sup>. Daily Mass and Adoration will not take place that week.
3. Our Greece Pilgrimage will take place from October 16<sup>th</sup> to the 26<sup>th</sup>.
4. A town hall meeting has been scheduled to take place in our church on October 29<sup>th</sup>. This will be an opportunity to discuss a few items with the parish community. A couple of items to be discussed are my new assignment (to be determined in the next couple of months) and the new diocesan campaign.
5. Welcome to the youth members attending.

Jim questioned if the Kitchen Committee have met. Colette Polaski said they have met once with one ministry. She also said that having the fan above the stove be turned on manually is a safety concern. Lupita explained that a representative from Commercial Appliance informed her that the fan is designed to run at all times. He is checking with the manufacturer to authorize an off/on switch that will not affect the warranty. Until that is resolved, the fan will remain running at all times.

Colette Polaski, St. Ladies Society's President, said that the Ladies Spring Luncheon has achieved \$6,322, the Rummage Event held this past summer achieved \$21,600. The Church Picnic was a great success with 185 people attending. At the September meeting, it was voted to donate \$300 to the Mother Teresa Luncheon to be held on October 5, 2019. The Ladies also agreed to donate \$300 for postage and flyer expenses to the Christmas Pageant. They also had Gurnell Hall cleaned and also purchased new tablecloths. The annual Boutique is scheduled to be held on November 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. In January a mystery dinner is planned. More ladies are needed to help clean the sanctuary on Friday mornings. Colette also reported that the Christmas Giving signups will be held on October 8<sup>th</sup>.

Geno Davidson reported that the Knights of Columbus September 21<sup>st</sup> dinner/dance was very successful. Their annual Tootsie Roll event will be held on October 12<sup>th</sup>. The dinner for the Nomadic Shelter will be held on October 12<sup>th</sup> at Holy Trinity.

Kathy Kasnic said that 240 students have registered for this year's faith formation classes. A discussion was held about the new enrollment procedures for this year. New! Children have been given special envelopes for a monthly collection to educate them about stewardship in time, talent, and treasure. Vianey Gonzalez, Youth Group representative, reported on summer activities that the group is growing. They are also raising funds for the Diocese of Tororo, Uganda. All are invited to attend the Ladies' Boutique Sale as the Youth Group will have a table at the boutique in efforts to raise funds to help the Diocese of Tororo.

Maria Quintero from the Hispanic Community said that the Fiesta, which was held on September 14<sup>th</sup>, was very successful. They realized \$3,703 from that event. They now have \$11,014 in their treasury. They held a retreat on September 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> with sixty people in attendance. A citizenship workshop will be held on October 6<sup>th</sup>. ESL, English as A Second Language, class is scheduled to start on October 10<sup>th</sup> and continue each Thursday from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in Room 5, here at Saint Patrick Church, and shall end in February. Lucille Villalobos is the contact person for anyone interested. She can be reached at 530-503-5809.

Mikol Maitland is ill so no report on the Facility Advisory was given.

Financial Report: Lupita gave a brief report on the Church Operations Profit and Loss. The month of July was a profitable one, but it was understated due to a few July bills paid in August due to her vacation. August showed a loss of \$990.64. A few expense items were overstated due to the payment of the July and August bills. Overall, the financial state of the parish is improving.

The next Parish Council meeting is scheduled for Friday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 7:00 PM.

Father Hernando Gomez gave the closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Tavano

Secretary.