

**Minutes for Finance Council
St. Mary's Parish, Westphalia
October 23, 2014**

Members Present: Greg Martin, Jarrod Thelen, Jon Thelen, Geri Pennell, Trina Witgen, Bill Nurenberg, Lori Rademacher

Members Absent: Brian Smith, Chad Hengesbach

Also Present: Father Eric, Mary Enneking

Call the Meeting to Order: Lori Rademacher called the meeting to order at 6:42 p.m.

Opening Prayer: Father Eric led the opening prayer.

Approval of Agenda: A motion was made by Jarrod Thelen and seconded by Bill Nurenberg to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Approval of September 25, 2014 Meeting Minutes: Minutes were reviewed and a motion was made by Geri Pennell and seconded by Trina Witgen to approve the minutes as written. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Continued discussion on the new heating system. Bill Nurenberg offered to prepare an initial list of questions and concerns which are to be addressed by the engineers of the new heating system and to send this list via email to all the council members prior to our next meeting. A motion was made by Greg Martin and seconded by Jon Thelen for Bill Nurenberg to initiate a conversation with Craig Trierweiler to hire Matrix, to have a contract prepared for approval by the finance council and the Diocese of Lansing by November 24th and for Craig to attend the next finance council meeting on December 4th. Motion approved unanimously.

New Business:

The September financial reports were reviewed. A motion was made by Trina Witgen and seconded by Geri Pennell to approve the reports. Motion carried.

Next Meeting: December 4, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Office.

Words from the Pastor: Father Eric shared his observation that there are some unrealized opportunities for ministering to the adults of this parish. Specifically in the area of financial stewardship there may be someone on the finance council that has the desire to share their knowledge.

Adjournment: Greg Martin made a motion to adjourn and Jon Thelen seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Closing Prayer: Father Eric led the closing prayer.

Minutes taken by Jarrod Thelen.

These minutes have not been approved by the Council. (Minutes approved by Finance Council 12/4/14)