

**Minutes for Finance Council
St. Mary's Parish, Westphalia
June 7, 2018**

Members Present: Jeff Cook, Chad Hengesbach, Bill Irrer, Trina Pline, Doug Spitzley, Cindy Thelen, Troy Thelen, Lindsay Weber

Members Absent: Bill Nurenberg

Also Present: Father Eric, Mary Enneking

Call the Meeting to Order: Chad Hengesbach called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

Opening Prayer: Father Eric led the opening prayer.

Approval of Agenda: A motion was made by Cindy Thelen and seconded Lindsay Weber to approve the agenda with the amendment of adding the review of the May monthly financial reports to the new business. Motion carried.

Approval of April 26, 2018 meeting minutes: A motion was made by Cindy Thelen and seconded Lindsay Weber to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Father Eric provided an update on the school building project in relation to the Witness to Hope campaign. The Parish received a response from the Diocesan Building Committee and incorporated minor changes into the building plans based on their response. Informational open houses regarding the project will be held on the nights of the school open house – August 20th & 27th.

The Council visited the funeral chapel to inspect the ceiling and additional maintenance issues. Mary, along with certain members of the Council, will contact local handymen to address the issues. The 2018-19 budget includes funds for fixing the funeral chapel ceiling. If approved by the Finance Council, any additional funds needed for the updates may be obtained from the maintenance fund, then the operating fund.

Discussions regarding the 2018-19 budget continued. A motion was made by Jeff Cook and seconded by Bill Irrer to approve the 2018-19 budget with an increase of \$12,000 to the Sunday collections.

New Business:

April 2018 and May 2018 financial reports were reviewed. A motion was made by Cindy Thelen and Trina Pline and seconded Lindsay Weber and Doug Spitzley, respectively, to approve the reports. Motion carried.

Next Meeting: If needed, the next meeting will be on June 28, 2018 at 6:30 pm in the Parish Office. If the meeting is not needed, the next meeting will be September 27, 2018 at 6:30 pm in the Parish Office.

Words From The Pastor: Fr. Eric provided a brief overview of the growth of the parish and potential capital projects in the future that the Finance Council would be involved with.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Trina Pline and seconded by Lindsay Weber to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Closing Prayer: Father Eric led the closing prayer.

Minutes taken by Trina Pline. These minutes have not been approved by the council.
(Approved by Finance Council on 9/27/2018)