

Parish Council Meeting Minutes

September 1, 2020

Held remotely via GoToMeeting, as the Safer at Home mandate continues.

In attendance were Chris Woodford, Rev. Jazdzewski, Laura Miller, Audrey Boerner, Chad Ronnander, Kris Miller, and Elaine Carlson.

Chris called the meeting to order at 7:05pm. Rev. began with a prayer after reading the gospel Matthew 18.

Chris had emailed the agenda earlier today and asked everyone to refer to it for tonight's meeting.

UPDATES:

FINANCE COUNCIL: Rev. reported on tonight's meeting. Financially, the parish is about \$2k behind budget for the fiscal year, as a result of lower plate income due to the pandemic. No big fundraisers on the calendar. The rest of the updates are covered when we discuss projects.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE: Chad reported. The EC has not met since August 11. CCD is planned. Minutes were distributed, so please review. Ann Werner is quite thorough in recording the minutes, so all the discussions are there. Rev. plans for registrations to be mailed by September 2 and received by the families by the weekend.

FAMILY LIFE COMMITTEE: Kris reported there is no new info.

COMMUNITY CONCERNS COMMITTEE: Elaine reported that she has had a conversation with Shelly Kern. Shelly shared with Elaine that Becky Mattson asked if the parish was still paying to support to Community Table? The Parish pays \$125/month in support of Community Table. The parish may need a volunteer push to solicit volunteers for all those community services that need volunteers, including in the parish itself, Community Table and Weekend Kids' Meals at Feed My People.

SACRED WORSHIP COMMITTEE: Audrey reported that the committee has not met. Weekend Masses are going well. There have been two daily Masses on Wednesday evenings. Attendance has been between 15 and twenty. There is potential to add another daily Mass to the schedule. Sanitation guns may be purchased to speed sanitation. The plan is to continue with requiring reservations for attendance. The cleaning crew after the 8:00AM Mass and the Adoration Committee members do excellent jobs sanitizing our worship spaces. We do need more volunteers as ushers and to support our great cleaners, who are an inspiring group of hardworking people. Relevant Radio has reported that WI bishops may have rescinded the dispensation; Rev. has received no official word from Bishop Callahan yet.

OLD BUSINESS:

UPDATE ON ST. PATRICK SCHOOL DEMOLITION: Significant reclamation of the building's interior has been accomplished. Items and supplies removed has produced some income for the parish. A long-term parking agreement has now been executed with Mayo Clinic Health Systems. The school demolition/parking lot reconstruction Contract with Haas Sons,

Inc., has also been signed. Keys have been turned over to the demolishing crew and asbestos abatement will start this month.

UPDATE ON SH KITCHEN: As a consequence of donations from the SP School reclamation, and since now the SH undercroft holds the parish's only kitchen, we are using those funds to renovate and upgrade that kitchen so parish needs will be better served. New LED lighting will be installed in the kitchen. The asbestos flooring and covering on some pipes will be removed, and concrete flooring will be painted. The kitchen floor plan will be reconfigured to meet our current needs. The serving line will be removed. These projects and the refreshing of the SH bathrooms (paint, new plumbing, new hand dryers) was paid for by donations, and there was no outlay from the parish.

DISCUSSION ON COMMITTEES: FLC and CCC: Rev. sent diocesan norms/guidelines for committees to PC members and these were reviewed. CCC was our Social Justice Committee, renamed a few years ago. Based on the diocesan guidelines, these two committees have very distinct missions. These committees should remain separate, but we need to find more people who can serve on these two committees to support those already active in those ministries. The covid reality is keeping people away. FLC has social and hospitality aspects that are not allowed during the pandemic. There is a need for help cleaning and serving people in the community at Community Table, Sojourner House, and Weekend Kids' Meals packing/delivering. We need to figure out how to reach people. During pandemic, we could survey parishioners to see what their stewardship interests lie and inform them of the roles of each committee in parish life. This could build on the Stewardship Weekend and the push from the directory photo sessions. Now is the time to be intentionally renewing and reinvigorating our committees. We could gather info on the charisms, interests, and skills of our parishioners and encourage them to use those gifts in the parish, etc. The diocesan forms at the end of the committee policy could be used to build our survey. The survey should be limited and focused. Do parishioners want to support projects? Volunteer opportunities can be prioritized. The aspects of the four ministries are listed in the appendix. Chad will draft a survey by next meeting. If results can be received and compiled by the November meeting, the committees could be renewed and moving by January 2021.

NEW BUSINESS

SH RENOVATION/RESTORATION STEERING COMMITTEE FORMATION: The steering committee will be formed. There needs to be some clarification on what the committee's goals will be. This committee will plan the refurbishment of the SH church building by prioritizing issues that need repair, identifying ways to update and beautify the building, and formulate a project budget. What are the site's needs, wants, dreams for the building? They will be steering the scope of the renovation—What can and should be done? The committee will also fashion and implement a capital campaign. Rev. will devise a process by which the committee would be selected/formed.

There being no other immediate concerns, Rev. closed the meeting with a prayer, and the meeting adjourned at 8:35pm.

Next meeting: October 6, 2020 at 7:00pm.

Respectfully submitted by Myrthe McCarthy