

## **Saint Joseph Parish Council meeting minutes – Tuesday, September 5, 2017**

Present: Father Dave & Council members Patti Behrens, Mary Barrett, Doug Kotecki, Ron Steponkus, Marge Hollenberger, Sue Tronnes, Brian Timmerman, John Scherrer, Gina Petry, and Jason Oswald.

Absent: Jamey Siegert

Patti called the meeting to order at 7:00PM. Father opened with a prayer.

A motion was made by John to approve the minutes of the August 1, 2017, Council meeting. Seconded by Marge. Motion was passed.

Gina gave an update from the Finance Committee. They met last month and passed the 2017 budget. There aren't any big upcoming projects. The Building and Grounds Committee have not had their budget approved yet. There are no financial statements available for one more month. The Diocese of Madison is coming to complete the audit of our parish. Jason has volunteered to meet with the auditors.

The Building and Grounds Committee passed along their minutes from June 27. Inspection of the roof is planned for this fall. HVAC for the seasonal cooling system "start-up" and "shut-down" is almost complete. Water leak at the back wall of the garage to be repaired.

Father Dave's report: Father reported that Katie Kotecki accepted the interim Religious Education Coordinator position. He is meeting with all the Religious Ed. teachers. September 9 the Hiring Committee will be reviewing resumes for the full time position of Religious Education Coordinator.

The Fellowship Committee didn't have an update.

Old Business:

Donut Sundays continue to go well. Gina will be sending out letters again for sponsors for the upcoming year. Gina is also looking for new ideas to generate more money for donut support.

Mary reported Saint Joseph parishioners donated \$2500 for Hurricane Harvey.

Doug didn't have an update for auto-withdrawals for weekly donations. Jason mentioned he would check with the firm doing our parish audit to see what they have available.

After the Fall Festival, the Parish Council will discuss what worked well and what could be improved. Sue mentioned more pies are needed for the Fall Festival as well as some more volunteer workers.

Ministry parish guide is still being printed.

New Business:

Sue brought up the idea of using proceeds from the Fall Festival for funding a new cafeteria floor. Father said he will contact the Diocese to see what our status is for the Priests for Our Future campaign. Gina suggested we should start discussing how we can start the campaign for a cafeteria floor. It was decided to discuss this more at the next meeting. Patti suggested we consider looking into purchasing a new floor scrubber with some of the Fall Festival funds.

Father closed the meeting with a prayer.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30PM.