

Parish Council Meeting – November 17, 2009

The Parish Council Meeting was held in the church hall on the evening of November 17, 2009. Father Miguel opened the meeting with a prayer and President Chad Brickl called the meeting to order.

Parish Council members present: Father Miguel, Jeanne Ambrose, Barbara Breunig, Ed Breunig, Eloise Breunig, Mitch Breunig, Chad Brickl, Maria Dunse, Connie Frey, Ted Frey, Dan Pethan and Linda Schoepp.

Missing: Vince Breunig

Additional Attendees: Father Alex, Bill Eslinger and Juanita Wipperfurth

The Secretary's Report was read and approved.

Chad will be in contact with Jim Breunig regarding the Financial Report and the information the council would like to see at the next meeting.

Building & Grounds Report

Bill reported the following:

A railing has been installed at the top of the stairs leading to the choir loft.

Hand sanitizer has been added to the restrooms in the church hall and at the bulletin stations.

McFarlane Manufacturing is currently working on mounting the additional reserved parking signs for the teachers.

Additional lighting of the high altar has been completed.

The cleaning of the church ceiling fans has been put on hold at this time. Since the fans were last cleaned, they have been shimmed to cut down on the noise they made. If the fans are lowered to be cleaned, they would then need to be re-adjusted to cut down on the noise. Chad will do further checking regarding when they were originally purchased and how long they are expected to last before a decision is made regarding cleaning.

A contract has been signed with Leidigs for snow removal this year. Anyone who would be willing to help with snow removal is asked to contact Chad Brickl at 643-2034.

The fall clean up day was discussed. All the leaves were raked; however, the volunteers could rake faster than the leaves could be hauled away. Some ideas for next year were noted. Thank you to everyone who helped this year.

The Cal Ripken league hopes to have most of the ball park work completed yet this year.

A motion was made and passed to sell the old lawn mower for \$500 to an interested party. Bill will try to sell the snow sweeper on Craig's List.

Chad will follow up with Frey Construction regarding the leaking gutter above the steps leading to the church hall due to the safety concern with water being on the steps and sidewalk.

It was decided to obtain estimates in spring for possible parking lot crack filling, seal coating, and repainting of lines.

It was mentioned that some of the outdoor statues need cleaning. This will probably need to wait until spring due to the colder weather now.

Other Business

It was decided to have the new volunteer lists available Thanksgiving weekend. The sign up sheets will also be sent home with religious education students in December. Maria will provide the volunteer names and contact information to the respective coordinators so volunteers can be included in new schedules beginning in January. It was noted that the confirmation students (11th grade students) will be helping with some of the duties. Thank you to all parishioners for volunteering.

Eloise and Juanita gave a summary of Confirmation. Next year a committee will be set up with representatives from each parish to help plan and set up for Confirmation. Thank you to everyone who helped with the first cluster wide Confirmation.

Juanita reviewed the current church hall rental fees which are the same for both parishioners and non parishioners. After discussion it was decided to change the rental fees as noted below:

Parishioners, non wedding events: \$50 deposit, \$100 rental

Non parishioners, non wedding events: \$50 deposit, \$150 rental

Parishioners, weddings: \$100 deposit

Non parishioners, weddings: \$50 deposit, \$100 rental

It should also be noted that the priest's stipend is separate.

Father Rudy's 45th Anniversary of Ordination Celebration will be June 6, 2010. Juanita is in contact with Father Rudy and will let the council know his specific requests as she receives them.

New Business

Juanita explained that St. Norbert will be converting to Parish Soft next year. Each parishioner will need to complete a new registration form for the conversion. More details will be shared as they become available.

The artificial trees and wreaths were purchased for decorating church. Thank you to the family of Louis Breunig for their donation of the trees and to the anonymous donors for the purchase of the wreaths. We appreciate your generosity.

The council will be decorating the church for Christmas on Sunday, December 20 at 12:30 pm. Anyone who would like to help is welcome.

The Christmas Eve pageant will again be held at the 4:00 mass with the pageant occurring at the end of the mass along with a visit from Santa.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, March 16 at 6:30pm in the church hall.

Respectfully submitted,
Maria Dunse