

St. George Parish Council Meeting Minutes January 20, 2021

Those in attendance were: Jane Theissen, Jerry Backes, Brad Deeken, Mary Muenks, Kenny Fick, Chris Muenks, Debby Lumpkin, Debra Oliveras, Carla McDaniel, Keith Jaegers, Father Franklin, Deacon Bob and Deacon Tony.

Father Franklin led the opening prayer. He then excused himself as he wasn't feeling well.

New members Debby Lumpkin, Debra Oliveras, and Karla McDaniel were welcomed. Retiring members Janie Theissen, Mary Muenks, and Brad Deeken were thanked for their service to our Parish.

Chris made a motion to approve the minutes of the 11-18-2020 Parish Council meeting and Kenny seconded. Minutes were approved.

Election of officers

Paul Brandt was elected Chairperson, Debby Lumpkin was elected Vice-Chairperson, and Jerry Backes was elected Secretary for the 2021 year.

John Deeken presented the financial report.

Expenses are all current as of the year end. All bank account signatures have been approved by the Finance Committee in accordance with Diocesan policy. Income .vs. budget for the first six months of the fiscal year is at 46% while expense .vs. budget for the same period is at 44%. Financially the parish is in good shape at this time; the best we have been in years. Collections are being done to replace an AC unit in the gym. There is nothing major planned at this time. Busing is an item that needs some review and resolution for the future.

Education

A report from Lisa was emailed to council members for review. Increasing charges for extended care as presented in the report were reviewed and discussed.

Dates have not been set for the 2021 First Communion and Confirmation. These will depend on the Bishop's schedule and any restrictions that may still be in place. April/May remains as the likely time frame.

Administration

Copies of the St. George Pastoral Council By-Laws were distributed for review and reference. Meetings are to be held in January, March, May, August, and November.

Notre Dame hall has been remodeled this past year. A question concerning raising rental charges has been raised. It is not desired to overburden parishioners but at the same time be in line with other venues. No conclusion was reached as more information is needed to make a recommendation.

Spiritual

RCIA should start soon. No one knew the status of candidates.

Consecration to St. Joseph will begin Monday February 15 at 6:30 p.m. This is a 33-day program. Books are available through the office. Consecration mass is on March 15.

Divine Mercy Sunday is April 11. There is a possibility that Donna Cori Gibson may be available to do a program that day. Janelle Jaegers is leading these projects.

Social

The Taste of Italy was held January 16. It was felt it went well under the circumstances. The Drive Through meal procedure worked very well. No numbers were available at meeting time.

Spring Fling is set for April 10. There was discussion on how to proceed with this event. It will not be a live event again this year due to Covid-19. There will be no meal. Tickets will be sold a in the past for \$100. Prizes will be determined/adjusted based on the number of tickets sold. The drawings will be on April 10, beginning at 7:30 p.m. The drawing will be livestreamed on Facebook.

The next Parish Council meeting will be March 24, 2021 in the ND conference center.

It was discussed that meeting minutes be posted on the Parish website if possible, for review by any interested Parishioner.

The meeting was closed with a prayer by Janie.

Meeting Adjourned.

Submitted by Jerry Backes, Secretary