

St. Wenceslaus Parish Council Meeting Minutes February 21st, 2017

St. Wenceslaus Parish Council met on Tuesday, February 21st, 2017 at 7:00 PM in the Rectory Basement

Council Members present: President Mark Hejna, Secretary Mark Povondra, Jean Meyer, Joe Renner, Lynn Rous, and Sue Souhrada. Absent: Kathleen Schieffer and Dean Sternhagen

Guests Present: Ev Kloucek and Tammy Sternhagen

Opening Prayer: Led by Father Jones.

Previous Meeting Minutes: Read by President Mark Hejna. Jean Meyer made a motion to approve the minutes with Sue Souhrada seconding.

Financial Report: Discussion regarding the report. Income is little under compared to this time last year. Father will look into the school lease. Joe Renner made a motion to approve the minutes with Lynn Rous seconding.

Old Business:

- **Bazaar:** Ev Kloucek and Tammy Sternhagen were asking for some help with the Bazaar Committee. Current members are Jen Carda, Gladys Hamberger, Kristi Kocer, Teresa Sternhagen and Mary Ann Kloucek. One more member is needed. Father will call around and find someone else for the Bazaar Committee.
- **Confessional Restoration:** Done. Father would like to add a light switch on the priest side as well as different flooring as the current carpet does not match. It was asked if the ceiling was finished or not as the sheetrock was still visible. Father will check into this.
- **Church Lighting:** Harry Lane backed out of the job. Father contacted 4 different people and possibly Jason from Yankton is interested. Father is looking at as a 4 Phase project with phase 1 adding lights above the Ambo and priest chair. Phase 2 to light up the Stations of the Cross. Phase 3, change the center lights to LED and have dimmers installed and Phase 4 to hard wire the spot lights on the Main Altar and side Altars.
- **Cemetery Statues:** Sue will look into this.
- **Fruit Baskets:** Went very well. People were very appreciated of the fruit baskets.
- **Land Rentals:** Mark Hejna talked to the renters about rate increases on the land rentals. Increases are crop land up from \$85 to \$100/acre and the grass land up from \$35 to \$40/acre. Renters are Joe Kronaizl, Bob Caba and Bruce Schwartz. New contracts will be made.
- **Office Job Descriptions / Wages:** No changes made.
- **Corporation Officers Meeting:** Per the Diocese all the parishes are corporations. Father, Mark Hejna and Dan Smith met and reviewed the financial report.
- **Rectory Awnings:** Joe Renner stated that Dave Varilek some awnings to replace the present awnings on the rectory. Tabled for now.

New Business:

- **School Lighting Project:** Mark Povondra informed the council that the school is looking at replacing the lighting fixtures in the school district and also in Tabor sometime either this summer or next.
- **Parish Website:** Lynn Rous noticed some the parish council information on the website needs updating. Bree will be informed to pull the old committee listings off.
- **Visiting Priests:** Mark Povondra reported that when Fr. Bill Osborn was here last he was requesting a bed downstairs as he has been sleeping on the couch. Father will look into finding a hide-a-bed to be placed in the living room.
- **Election of Officers:** Parish council member's terms up are Joe Renner, Mark Hejna, Jean Meyer and Sue Souhrada. Election was set for the weekend of April 29th-30th.

- **Scholarship for kids:** Father will be contacting Fr. Forcelle about how Tyndall's scholarships are handled.
- **CFSA 2017:** Father gave the council the worksheet on how the Diocese calculates our assessment. For 2017 our assessment is \$22,200. Father stated that we did not meet 2016's goal and the remaining balance will be coming from the general fund.
- **Tuck-pointing school next phase:** It was decided with the current revenue that we hold off for now with the tuck-pointing.
- **Mass Attendance:** Counts will be taken the first 3 weekends of March.
- **Graduation Brunch:** Date was set for the brunch. It will be held on April 30th after the 10:30 Mass in the school cafeteria.
- **Mother's Day Flowers:** Lynn will check into pricing.

Correspondence: A letter was received from Leonard Cimpl thanking the council for the fruit basket.

Closing Prayer: Led by Father Jones

Meeting adjourned at 9:20pm with Sue Souhrada making the motion with Jean Meyer seconding.

Next parish council meeting is Tuesday May 23rd, 2017.

--Secretary Mark Povondra