

St. Wenceslaus Parish Council Meeting Minutes

May 12th, 2018

St. Wenceslaus Parish Council met on Saturday May 12th, 2018 at 9:30 AM in the Rectory Basement

Council Members present: President Dean Sternhagen, Secretary Mark Povondra, Jen Carda, Joe Kronaizl, Larry Reining and Lynn Rous. Absent: Angie Kronaizl and Kathleen Schieffer.

Opening Prayer: Led by Father Jones.

Previous Meeting Minutes: Jen made a motion to approve the minutes with Lynn seconding.

Financial Report: Discussion regarding the report. Income for the year is about the same as last year. Most accounts are similar also. Fuel is higher and will be \$1500 more for last fill. Long winter. CFSA was paid, makes April look bad as it did last year. Larry made a motion to approve the minutes with Joe seconding.

Old Business:

- **Confessional Restoration:** Father to contact Kerry Hogan to finish confessional before Father leaves in July. Looking to change the carpet and finish the ceiling with new light fixtures.
- **Church Lighting:** Phase 4 is to hard-wire the Main Altar and Side Altars spot lights. Father wants to wrap the project up before leaving. Did speak with a lighting consultant and waiting on a special order of focused spotlights before moving forward. This is being covered by a \$15,000 anonymous donation from a few years back.
- **Cemetery Altar Statues:** Larry noted that there are not many options. He did talk to Luken Memorials for their opinion on making new wings using sand. Larry spruced it up by cutting tree branches around the Altar. It will need tuck-pointing, power-washing and paint.
- **Rectory Awnings:** No update, council looked after the meeting and thought that it may be best to take the awnings down and see what to do.
- **Tuck-pointing:** Tabled for now.
- **Bazaar:** Jen noted that the Bazaar Committee is working through the schedules with the new time change and the removal of some games.
- **Security Cameras:** Advice given by Jurren's Electric in Avon. Waiting on quote. Tabled for now with new priest arriving.
- **Church Doors:** The doors will be taken down. Adam Peterson gave advice as to better protect them. We need more coats of finish.
- **Graduation Breakfast:** Lynn picked up rolls and coffee and had the graduate families come over to the parish house after Sunday Mass. Turned out nice.

New Business:

- **Youth to Stubenville:** Jen brought up that it is getting hard to find chaperones to watch the youth on the bus trips to Stubenville. It was asked that the church pay for the chaperone's expenses going forward and to reimburse last year's chaperone. Father endorses this as he agrees. Jen made a motion to pay the chaperone's expenses, with reimbursing last year's chaperone. Larry seconded. Motion carried. Expenses each year are about \$400.
- **Special Meeting:** This morning, a special parish meeting was held for interested parties. Father announced that he was reassigned effective July 5. Father will be moving to St. Thomas More Newman Center at USD Vermillion.
- **Father's Farewell Potluck:** A farewell potluck for Father was discussed for originally June 23rd, but has been moved to July 1st at 5:00pm. Burgers and Brats will be provided by the parish and families A-M are asked to bring salads and N-Z bring desserts. This will be at Beseda Hall.

Correspondence: None

Closing Prayer: Led by Father Jones

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 AM with Lynn making the motion with Jen seconding.

Next parish council meeting is Saturday August 18th at 9 AM.

--Secretary Mark Povondra

Addendum:

- It was announced on May 19th/20th weekend masses that Father Anthony Urban will be the new priest for St. Wenceslaus and St. John the Baptist of Lesterville/Sigel. Father Urban comes to us from Garretson.