

# ST. MATTHEW MEN'S CLUB

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## Minutes of St. Matthew Men's Club May 5, 2022

Our May meeting was called to order at 7:07pm by Vice President Tim Feldhausen as our President was unexpectedly detained. There were approximately 24 members in attendance. Tim began the meeting with another one of his timely prayers. He then asked for an approval of the April Minutes which were approved without need of amending. Pete Kirschling then provided a Treasurer's Summary of \$13,704.16 as of April 30, 2022. He mentioned we had taken in \$3551 during the St. John Homeless Shelter (SJHS) campaign which was deposited in our account and paid right back to SJHS. This was a tactic that Stacy Smits suggested in order to "follow the money" should there be any questions. The Treasurer's Summary was then approved by the members present. Dan Kiernan followed up that he would check with Steve at SJHS to see if their website added any more revenue to our endeavor.

### Communications:

We received a letter of thanks from St. John's Ministries for our contribution of \$3551 that they received. The letter also went on to highlight their new name as it now encompasses all three of their divisions (St. John's Homeless Shelter, The Micah Center and Wellspring) under the one moniker. Along that line, Pete Kirschling showed the current issue of the *Press Times* with a photo of the St. John's event which was submitted by Dan Kiernan. He also mentioned that *The Compass* should have that in as well. Dan also said he received "Thank You" notes from Joanne Raymaker and Janet Smith. They acknowledged the needle point gifts he'd gotten them for their ongoing support of the Men's Club.

### Old Business:

Dan Kiernan recapped the serving of the meal at SJHS relating how well it went over. They had enough people for serving approximately 70 guests and each of them were grateful for the Men's Club providing this special treat. Dan also wanted to thank each of the members that helped make it possible. Just prior to the meal serving, he picked up approximately 150# of venison Polish sausage from Salmon's that would be going into the freezer for next year's Wild Game Feed.

### New Business:

Moving on to New Business, it was time to plot our summer events. The mainstay is, of course, the Harry LaTour Golf Outing and Steak Fry. It will take place at Hilly Haven on Thursday August 4th with tee times between 2:30 and 3:30. Pete Kirschling said that changes will have to be made in our pricing this year. Originally, this event was a sort of thank you to the members who've helped out throughout the year and it never really broke even. As this event has catered to many people who have marginal affiliation to the Men's Club, he said there is no reason to subsidize it any longer. Pricing had been \$50 for the golf and dinner but will go up to at least \$60 and perhaps more. As people are well aware, prices for recreation, beverages and food have risen substantially and we are no exception to this conundrum. Greg Simonson proposed getting together for a Green Bay Rockers baseball game. In the past, the Men's Club had gone to Green Bay Bullfrog games and enjoyed watching from the Leinie's Party Deck (all you can eat and drink), Since the team moved to Ashwaubenon, they changed their name and policy and it hadn't worked out as well for us. Greg said he would look into it and see if it was worth exploring once again.

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It was then time to seek nominations for officers for the 2022-23 fiscal year. Current VP Tim Feldhausen would be scheduled to assume the duties of President so we would need someone to replace him as VP who would also ascend to President the following year. Pete Kirschling interjected that he'd been serving in the capacity of Secretary/Treasurer since 2004 and would like to step aside from this task. He added that he would be turning 70 next year and would like to take the time to enjoy some winter weather in Florida while he still can. Currently, his attachment to the Men's Club doesn't allow for that. He wanted to be clear that it was strictly for selfish reasons that he would like to move on but having served as an officer since 1993, he thought everyone could understand his plight. The members thought that someone could "shadow" him to learn the ropes but he assured them it was not that complicated. He wanted to reassure everyone that he was not stepping down but merely stepping aside. With that out of the way, nominations were sought and Bob Olson and Greg Simonson both volunteered, although neither were not volunteering for Pete's position, but for the VP opening. Since Bob had prior Presidential experience, he volunteered to move right into the Presidency and Greg into the VP position. Although Tim was willing to remain for the conclusion of his term, Ambrose Kowalczyk made the motion that Bob Olson be President and Greg Simonson Vice President. Motion was seconded and carried. Pete Kirschling was moved into another term as well. Thanks to all for volunteering!

## **Open Floor:**

Pete Kirschling said that it was time for us to clear out the closet of all remaining beverages so as to not carry them over to the fall. Normally, we would put them out at the picnic with the Men's Club beer tent but there would be no picnic again this year. As such, we had a bevy of beverages that everyone was welcomed to take home for only a free will offering. He asked that people please be generous if they are taking items with them.

Doug Hutchison asked for people to help with cleanup after the meeting as there were extra dishes to tend to because of the special Cinco de Mayo Conchinita Pribil that Marc Gerbec prepared.

With that, Tim Feldhausen wished to thank the Mexican victory over France in the Battle of Puebla in 1862 for making this celebration possible.

Having no further business to tend to and the aroma of pulled pork, cilantro, hot spices and Margaritas wafting in the room, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Kirschling  
Secretary/Treasurer

**Summer Events:** August 4th Harry LaTour Golf Outing & Steak Fry, Hilly Haven in De Pere

**Next Meeting:** September 8th 7:00pm St. Matthew's School Cafeteria (Welcome Back!)