

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

June 14, 2023

In attendance – Father Michael, Deacon Eric, Jim Carey, Linda Garner, Lenice Nagle, Steve Hunter, Meg Maas, Shelly Bohrmann, Maria Lopez, Wynona Vaz

May Minutes were approved.

Review of Action Items – Father is still determining the paint color for the building exterior. Jim found out that we must purchase the entire side of the columbarium. Deacon Mike was not present to talk about the television for the youth room. Deacon Ken has purchased the church video license. Father will wait to contact the company that rents our office space in regard to the sign until after the meeting with Jason Zook from Smile a Mile Painting.

Parish Celebration – Lenice reported that plans for this July 8th event are well in hand. There will be sign ups in the vestibule and online during the weekends of June 17th/18th and 24th/25th. Father will make an announcement at all Masses. Tables, chairs and tents are to be set up on Saturday morning. For insurance purposes, all tables and chairs will be placed in the alcove of the PCC until pick up on Monday morning after the event. The food consists of chicken/beef tacos, chips and salsa. The food will be inside the PCC while beverages will be located outside. Nicole Liebert/Vonnie Bliss will be bringing the therapy ponies and there will be lawn games. Lickety Splits is an ice cream cart company that will be serving the ice cream bars that we have purchased from them. The Evangelization Committee will be hosting a movie night in the PCC after the event.

Report on Projects– Deacon Ken's notes are listed as an attachment to these minutes. Father's comments on the projects are listed here:

1. Cameras will be located at all exterior doors to monitor entrances to the building. One camera in the PCC will monitor the main hallway and the entrances to the restrooms.
2. The hot water has been fixed to meet health department standards. The kitchen fixtures to be replaced are on order.
3. Father is leaning in favor of implementing a water softening system to reduce the need to descale the PCC coffee maker constantly.
4. Determining the paint colors for the front of the church is a current action item.
5. 2 HVAC systems in the church will be replaced next week. The system in the PCC is on hold until after Vacation Bible School is over.
6. There has been some discussion about an overhaul of our sprinkler system. Estimates are being requested and there has been some discussion with the finance council. As a side note, our irrigation operates from our own well on our property.
7. Grounds projects are in progress.
8. The floor in the church restroom needs to be replaced. This is a newly reported issue.
9. The carpet in the classrooms in the church need to be repaired, replaced, or changed to linoleum.
10. The last of the computers in the parish office were replaced. The computers that run the projectors in the church were also replaced as one failed a few weekends ago and both are the same age.
11. Solar power? Deacon Eric and Steve have researched this and it is no longer worth it. The payback does not justify the upfront costs.
12. Painting inside the church – a project for down the line. No one can recall the church EVER being painted since it was built.
13. Roku – Still being considered. The church video license was purchased.

****ACTION ITEM: Deacon Mike will buy a TV for Room 5.**

Tithe – Tithe for May was \$3,329.92 including the \$1,500.00 carried over from the month of April. Father recommended that we donate money to the new Carmelite Monastery in Pasco.

Mater et Decor Carmeli Monastery: \$2,500.00

\$1,829.92 was carried over to next month while research is done on local groups that provide refugee and migrant support.

****ACTION ITEM: Wynona will do research on World Relief Tri-Cities.**

Round the Table –

Meg – It would be very nice to thank Cecilia Miller for making all new altar cloths. A Mass card, gift card, and card signed by the Parish Council sound appropriate.

Linda – Has Rectory 2 been sold? Yes, sale will go through next week. We will make \$60,000 on our original purchase cost.

Cemetery Monument: Looking for someone to donate a monument. Maybe something that looks like the design behind the altar of the dove and “waves of grace.” The type of monument and design must be approved by the cemetery. Something to think about for the future.

Wynona – How about a sign on the front of the church itself? An idea for down the line. Father would like to take the sign posted along 1st Avenue, clean it up and post it in the grass next to the Church at some point.

Overall Action Items:

****ACTION ITEM: Father will determine what colors will be used to paint the exterior of the building as well as the other items noted on the provided bid.**

****ACTION ITEM: Deacon Mike will buy a TV for Room 5.**

****ACTION ITEM: Father Michael will reach out to the local site manager of the property management company for our office to see if we can take down the existing sign for our office and install our planned electronic sign to avoid issues with the easement relating to the empty lot.**

****ACTION ITEM: Wynona will do research on World Relief.**

Next Meeting: July 12, 2023 at 6pm

List of Projects / Wish list

1. Camera system
2. Finish off plumbing inside both PCC and Church
3. Water softener
4. Painting of door on church both inside and out
5. 3 HVAC units (in progress June 8th, 2023)
6. Sprinkler system in progress
7. Grounds updated.in progress
8. The floor in men's restroom repaired or replaced due to area around handy cap stall. The flooring is split and urine is getting under the flooring.
9. Carpet in classrooms in church repaired or replaced if we replaced, I would suggest we look at linoleum for easier upkeep and match the main floor as close as we can.
10. The last of the computers replaced Pat's, Father's, Mine
11. Solar power for church and PCC to supply 110% of our power I know this is High. In research stage
12. Painting of church inside. In research stage
13. Add Roku to all the TVs in the PCC for streaming for religious Ed and other functions. Price range for our needs high end 24 to 40 dollars each depending on which unit we buy. This would go hand in hand with our streaming license high end cost 200 plus tax.
14. Electronic Sign Project: Currently working with Jason Zook and Reyes from the sign company to see if we can find a location near where we wanted that works for all of us. Deacon Ken will be meeting with them 06/15/23. Stay tuned for more information.