Nativity of Blessed Virgin Mary Parish Council Minutes

August 4, 2026

Attendance

The following members were present at the meeting: Adam Koesters, Chuck Wendel, Lisa Buschur, Sue Fortkamp, Matt Wuebker, Kristy Hess, Ryan Schmackers, and Tess Mescher.

Approval of Minutes and Financial Report

The minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved by the council. The financial report was also reviewed and approved.

Christ Our Light Family of Parishes Unified Council Update

There is no new update as no meeting was held since last parish council meeting.

Maintenance Report

- Tile project with Cy Schwieterman Inc. and Craig Tuente and will be start late summer/fall. Rectory repairs to be done there after.
- The step from east side of church have been relocated to west side to replace damaged step.
- There is wind damage to the west side steeple. The council is waiting to hear back from Wellman Bros and the insurance company regarding repairs.
- New 54” Kubota model Z42.54 from Affolders was purchased.
- Couple of outdoor lights need repair and also discussed light for parking lot east of road. Ryan will look into this.

Old Business

- Mason Hess is currently working on his Eagle Scout project. Plantings, edging and weeding is done and ready for mulch and stone. He also plans to replace tree in front to replace one lost in wind. We discussed painting contrasting yellow stripe o steps. Agreed to paint steps after researching bit more what is

appropriate for safety. The parish council agreed to cover any remaining balance after Mason’s fundraising efforts with other parish groups.

New Business

- Names of candidates for new officers will need to be gathered before the next meeting. Ted Dirksen and Scott Will for men, Trina Griesdorn and Lindsay Thobe will be on ballot in October.
- The parish party is scheduled for September 13, following the 8:30 AM Mass. CFL hall. Tess is getting doughnuts, coffee, juice and all party supplies. Adam and Julie may bring fresh fruit from garden.

Next Meeting

The next parish council meeting is scheduled for Nov 10, 2026 @ 8PM.