Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of May 13, 2014

Attendance: Fr. Wojciech Pelczarski, Kathy Perlitz, Dorli and Lou Cloutier, Janusz Herasimowicz, Ron Massimino, Sharon Scorso, Sharon Snuffer, Bonnie Benevides, Tom Manning, Jonathan Van Dine and Patti Cinea.

Guest: Kurt O'Brien

The meeting opened with prayer at 7:08 p.m. The following was discussed:

1. April's minutes were reviewed. Recommended was to review the section on Finance with Mike Harney for correctness, then submit into bulletin.

2. Offering a Vacation Bible School this summer for school aged children is a possibility. Years past, a VBS program had been purchased and implemented with success. Would there be interest in the parish to either purchase or self create a program this summer? Fr. Wojciech will meet with Sharon Snuffer, Kurt and Patti to consider.

3. **Youth Faith Formation:** The Sacrament of Confirmation will be held on Saturday, June 17th at the Saturday Vigil Mass. 7 students will receive this Sacrament.

4. Adult Faith Formation: Pilgrimage to St. Joseph's Abbey in Massachusetts on Sunday, June 1st. To save on personal cost, there will be carpooling. Next bible study will be the Book of Revelation series in September.

5. **Finance:** No new information.

6. **Eagle Scout Project:** Ryan Van Dine's sign project is nearly completed. He is awaiting the arched trim headboard, finials and caps. To help defray project costs he received \$150 each from the Parish and Fair Group. Ben's memorial brick patio project is short of \$240, as actual cost was higher than estimate for material. It was recommended to repeat the fundraiser by placing an appeal for the purchase of memorial bricks into the bulletin and from the pulpit. Jonathan will write up the announcement. Sharon Scorso offered to investigate recommended methods to increase sign visibility with respect to lettering, highlighting, and coloring. Proposed is to develop a formal application form, policy and procedure for any future projects. Time lines, cost, and planned method of raising funds, will be included in the document.

7. **Property Management:** Parking area cracks still need remediation. The company expected to complete the work last year has not returned phone calls. A second company gave an estimate of \$8300. This was based on charging 85 cents a linear foot, with proposed 10,000 feet of cracks needing fill. Tom will measure the distance of the critical cracks for now. Another bid will be sought. The Rectory had a triple water treatment tanks installed in 2008. M & M Oil has mounted a dedicated tap as required for quarterly water sampling. It costs \$400-500/year-18 months to maintain this current water treatment system. It is unclear why this system was installed. No documents have been found. The purchase of exterior doors for the lower Parish Center is on hold due to cost. Recommended is to investigate alternative such as sealing to minimize drafts. Methods of improving security to the Parish Center when the Office is open includes these possibilities: cutting and inserting a window into the office door, which then can be kept locked; keeping the outside doors locked and installing a door buzzer; placing the unlocked main exterior door on chime to alert incomers—this latter ineffective when the Office door is closed to retain heat or air conditioning.

8. **Bulletin editor volunteer:** There has been no response to this need to help Theresa with this task. Janusz offered to inquire.

9. The Parish Center kitchen has passed its recent inspection by the Dept of Public Health. Please remember that this is a quarterly inspection and that facility users must keep this area sanitary, including washing pot holders, the microwave, and the thermometer must be in the refrigerator. PLEASE KEEP IT CLEAN.

10. The Boy Scouts are meeting tonight. A request by the parish on their agenda is to appoint a liaison to the Parish Council.

The meeting concluded at 9:20 p.m. Next meeting: June 10th.

Respectfully submitted,

Patti Cinea