

MINUTES OF THE ST. MAURICE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING of April 10, 2018

Attendance: Kathy Perlitz, Mike Harney, Sharon Scorso, Janusz Herasimowicz, Tom Manning, Anthony Girasoli, Anna Czercowy, Dorli Cloutier, Lou Cloutier, Bonnie Benevides, Mary Ann Murphy, Bill Hebert;

Excused: Fr. Leon Susaimanickam, Amie Tillman

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. Tom Manning opened the meeting with a prayer.
2. Minutes of the February 13, 2018 meeting were approved as distributed. The March meeting was cancelled due to inclement weather.
3. Financial report by Mike Harney: Items of Significance compared to the 9 month period ending 3/31/17.
 - a. Revenue
 - i. Offertory collections are \$5,700 behind last year; 4.8%
 - ii. Fuel collection off \$3,400; 34.4%
 - iii. Christmas & Holy Days are up \$2,600; 86%
 - iv. Memorial Donations total \$1,015 against \$0 last year
 - v. Ordinary revenue \$6,400 below; 4.8%
 - b. Expenses
 - i. Church/Altar supplies up \$2,850; 161%
 - ii. Food & household expenses up \$1,400; 22%
 - iii. Heat is \$2,600 over last year; 24% trending to a 30% increase by year end
 - iv. Electricity up \$700; 12%
 - v. General supplies \$1,400 higher; 111%
 - vi. Repairs & maintenance is lower by \$1,600; 10%
 - vii. Transportation is \$1,500 above last year; 42%
 - viii. Compensation extra priests is down by \$2,650; 71%
 - ix. Total Expenses are \$6,900 higher; 4.6%
 - c. Net Income is \$19,355 which is \$11,100 worse than last year. Trending toward a possible net loss of approximately \$23,000.
 - i. Discussion included projections, based on previous 6 years, of a net loss of \$16,800.
 - ii. Previous fiscal year loss was \$12,000.
 - iii. Total assets of \$108,000 indicate an ability to cover losses for another 5 to 6 years, depending on capital expenditures.
4. Faith Formation report was given by Tom Manning as follows:
 - a. Confirmation was administered on Saturday, March 10 at the Cathedral in Norwich. Despite the distance, this was very successful.
 - b. There are three more sessions. We are preparing for next year. A draft schedule and registration forms are being reviewed.
 - c. A Youth Mass will be celebrated on April 29.
 - d. The May Crowning will be at the 10:00 Mass on May 13.
 - e. First Reconciliation and First Communion are scheduled for May 19 and May 20, 2018.

5. Lou Cloutier reported on Property Management as follows:
 - a. The double doors at opposite ends of the corridor in the lower level of the Parish Center have been replaced.
 - b. Windows on the South Side of the Parish Center will be replaced after the Fair. One is broken. Cost estimate is \$10,000.
 - c. Round tables in the Parish Center have been cleaned.
 - d. The stoves, hoods, and floor in the kitchen have been cleaned.
 - e. Estimated cost to replace the two identification signs out front is \$7,000.
 - f. The clothing shed for donations to WAIM has been replaced.
 - g. The water system at the Rectory has been upgraded with filters and water softener.
 - h. The wood deck in the front of the Parish Center needs repair. This is a potential Eagle Scout project.
6. Tony Girasoli reported on activities of the Knights of Columbus. The Spring Fling will be held on April 21.
7. Seasonal Sharing for Easter took place on March 25.
8. The Parish survey has been carried out. Kathy Perlitz will discuss the results with Father Leon. New Commissions are being formed. Other new business discussed:
 - a. Need for a second Trustee.
 - b. Need for a new Parish Directory.
 - c. Participation in the 300th Anniversary celebration of the Town of Bolton in 2020.

The meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m. The next meeting will be held May 8, 2018.

Respectfully submitted, Tom Manning, Council Member