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PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

March 23, 2017

7:00 pm – PCMR

Present: Fr. Brian, Anne Blindt, Barb Bohringer, Jan Clauss, Mike Dummer, Mike Gabor, Elaline Hathaway, Pam Klas, Jane Maly, Leslie Sullivan, John Winter, Gene Zander

Unable to attend: Brian Aeschlimann, Jack Arseneau and Luke Fuszard

7:00 pm – Call to Order by Mike Gabor

Opening Prayer – Mike Dummer

1. OLD/ONGOING BUSINESS

- A. Approval of January 26, 2017 minutes-Motion to approve, Anne Blindt. Seconded by Jane Maly. All agree.
- B. Winter Fest Wrap Up – Elaine Hathaway reported it was a wonderful turnout and we netted a little over \$3,000 which will go to the maintenance fund. Council was all in favor of doing this again next year.
- C. Picnic Update-John Winter stated that all is in order and he will hold the first meeting maybe in May. (Will check on 6/1 at 6:30 and see if that is ok.)
- D. PC Elections-Father Brian will start mentioning this at church this weekend. Jack Arseneau, Brian Aeschlimann, Mike Gabor, Barb Bohringer as Church Council members and Elaine Hathaway as Trustee have terms that will expire. We will try and fill these positions by May.
- E. Commission Updates
 - Faith Formation Commission-Anne Blindt thanked everyone that helped make the Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit (350 attended) a success and handing out the black books. We will be handing out the Easter Booklets on Palm Sunday so we can hand out “Special Books” on Easter. Leslie Sullivan said they will have an online sign up for volunteers to hand these out.
 - Human Needs Commission-Jane Maly reported that 304 Easter Baskets were made on Sunday, 3/19/17 and delivered to the Senior Apts. The meal programs remain about the same and the Snack Pack Blessings are now up to 6. Because there is a need for this, we may be taking on another school. St.Vincent will be hosting a garage sale in our Parish Center 4/20-22. The

Rose Sale will be on Mother's Day. Peanut Butter/Mac N Cheese Drive and School Supply Drive will be coming up so watch the bulletin for these events. Finance Council- Marcia is putting together a budget. We have no financial problems at this time.

2. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Maintenance-Father Brian advised that we will proceed with the work on the foundation but the work on the bathroom project will be delayed. We have concerns about the electrical/lighting. The control panels are about 30 years old as well as the fixtures which need attention for safety reasons. Jane Maly questioned whether we need a campaign to raise money for this. Father wants to wait for bids, etc. before we go forward. All agreed.
- B. Newsletter-Father Brian stated that he has heard positive comments on the newsletter but would still like people to come together. Therefore, Coffee Sundays will start in the Fall/Sept, with staff and commissions organizing them maybe 10 times a year.

- 3. FATHER'S COMMENTS** – Staffing items – Jenna will be leaving in June for 12 weeks maternity leave. She may do some work while on leave. Mary Nolden will be retiring in July. There are 8 individuals going on the Italy trip. The Stations of the Cross on Friday have not hurt the Wednesday evening Stations.

4. CLOSING

- A. Next Executive Meeting: Thursday, May 18, 2017 @ 5:00pm
- B. Nex Parish Council Meeting: Thursday May 25, 2017 @ 7:00 pm
- C. Closing Prayer: Mike Dummer Next Prayer Leader: Luke Fuszard

Minutes respectfully submitted by Barb Bohringer