

## **Parish Council Minutes January 10, 2007- approved**

**In attendance:** Vinny Amuso, Mike Piacentino, Dan Wahle, Mary Frumusa, Matt Yurksaitis, Father Helfrich, Sue Monczynski, Carmen Ana Klosterman, Tom Salamida

**Absent:** Sharon Norton, Peri Samikkannu, Hannah Yurksaitis

**Guests:** Pat Schickler

**Call to Order:** 7:30

**Opening Prayer** offered by Father Helfrich

Special Thanks from Carol Rutigliano

- to Matt Yurksaitis and Tony Gramza for presentation on finances and building projects after the Weekend Masses.
- to Mary Frumusa and all council members who helped with selling tickets and helping with New Years Eve
- To Mike Piacentino for his work on the website and the kudos from a parishioner on the website.

**Review** of December Minutes- amended minutes to be sent to Parish Council members. Please send approval of monthly minutes to Sue within 7 days of receiving them.

**Building Committee update:** \$144,000 Partners in Faith money

- a couple new people have joined the committee
- This project will not be done by June
- Carol moves that further Building Committee discussion will not take up time at Parish Council meeting unless there is something new to be discussed. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sue.
- Dan restated that only \$144,000 is to be spent on the handicap entrance project as was voted on by council in October.
- Jim Peters and Terry Masci have joined the committee.

### **Communication Plan**

- Do we want to start verbal announcements this coming weekend? Because of last weekends presentations it is decide to start the verbal presentations the weekend of 20-21<sup>st</sup>.
- Carmen Ana to put bulleted items together by Friday to get Father's approval. The following people of volunteered to speak after the following masses. 5pm Tom, 7:30 Carol, 8:30 Vinny, 10:30 CarmenAna, 12 Sue.
- Parish Council Members to greet parishioners before the Mass that they attend.
- Do we want to ask Parishioners to pray for Father Helfrich's renewal to our Parish? It is decide to hold off on this until spring.

### **Father's report/WPIPC**

- Saturday May 5, 2007 is diocesan stewardship day. To be held at St. Patrick's in Victor.

- Hope House- assistant for Jackie, funds needed from each parish.
- St. Clement of Rome doing well. Still in need of Volunteers to help Parishioners rebuild.
- Community celebration- still no date or plan
- Vocation Awareness- Vinny is our Representative.
- Health Ministry advises against having Lifeline Screening LLC, therefore will cancel.

**Committee reports-** bring written report to next months meeting.

Finance – Dan reports that he has not met with committee and is not even sure who is on the committee.

Stewardship- Carol is the chairperson along with 4 other members. They are to develop a template to be approved by Father. Next meeting in January

### **Suggestion Box**

A letter was in the box asking for refraining from shaking hands during the Sign of the Peace during mass. Father said that no one is obligated to shake hands. It is perfectly acceptable to offer peace verbally, with a nod of the head, or another method if you do not feel comfortable shaking hands.

The letter also asked for meditation time after communion instead of singing. Father said that there is often time after the hymn and before the closing prayers.

### **Assessment Report**

Carol asked that everyone look at the list she sent to each council member and see if there is something on the list that we would take on to accomplish/complete open action items and delegate out to appropriate standing committee and ministry to help. We need to accomplish things that we discuss.

### **Action Items**

- The issue of disruptive children that was discussed at December's meeting. Dan still working on wording.
- Fundraising. Sue to talk with JoAnn about winetasting, and Tony about "game show".
- Bullet announcement for Masses on Jan. 20-21. CarmenAna to do this task.
- Review Assessment report
- Written committee reports. Who is chairperson and how many on the committee.

**Closing prayer** offered by Father Helfrich

**Adjournment** at 9:15

Next Meeting 2/20/2007

Minutes respectfully submitted by Suzanne Monczynski