

Parish Council Minutes
November 12th, 2014

Attending: Fr. Tim Kozak, Diana Bartles, Ray Johnson, John Anderson, Marie Johnson, Cecelia Lisle

Fr. Tim opened the meeting with a Scripture reading. After a few minutes of silence to reflect on the reading, the meeting continued with a motion made by Diana Bartles and seconded by Ray Johnson to accept the previous minutes with no corrections or additions. All members approved them as written.

Committee Reports:

Building and Maintenance:

- B&M Lawncare have given us a quote on the snow removal. Since the price is the same as what we are getting from Hupp, it was decided to stay with Hupp since they have more people to work on the removal of the snow
- A new toilet has been installed in the downstairs restroom in the activity building.
- The church water bill this month was \$500 dollars. Fr. stated the village had noticed that the meter reading was unusually high. There have been some problems with the toilets not shutting off. This has been looked into and seems to have been corrected.
- Fr. stated that the insurance for the church and parish buildings has gone up by 35%. Discussion was held on what we could do about that. However the insurance is all bought through the Diocese and we could not do much with that.

Liturgy:

- The Knight's will March at Mass on November 30th.
- December 8th is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception and is a Holy day of Obligation. All Catholics are required to attend the vigil Mass or the Mass of the day.

Religious Education:

- A few of our CCD students attended the youth rally at Saint Ambrose.
- A discussion was held on if there would be a Christmas program for the Children's Mass. Fr. stated this would have to be either before the Mass has started or after the Mass has ended.

Finance:

- The Parish has received a DPSC rebate of \$1,000.
- See report

Social:

- The Social Group will be doing the Gavin Dinner.

Old Business

- Diana had been approached about some concerns:
 - 1) When would we be getting the new Parish directory? Fr. had stated this would be in a few more months.
 - 2) Wondering if we make a donation to the Community Center. Each year the parish makes a donation of over \$2,000.

New Business

- Discussion was held on how we could make the entrance area of the church look neater. Fr. asked if it was the blue barrels or something else. The concern was with the donated coats and the monthly food items ending up on the floor. The group had said the items just sitting around looked bad. After some continued discussion it was decided to clean the closet out and have the item's put in there.

With no other business, a motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Diana Bartles to end the meeting. Fr. closed with a prayer.

The next Parish Council Meeting is December 10th with the Executive Committee on December 4th.