

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH COUNCIL
Notes of Meeting of March 13, 2017

The meeting was held at the Parish Center, and began at 6:45 p.m. Attending were:

Present?		Name, Position	Elected/ Apptd.	Rep/ Liaison	Term Expires
Y	N				
X		Fr. Grant Gerlach, Pastor			
	X	Ed Fischer, Chair	Elected	Liturgy, CLM	Fall 2019
X		Mary Krogman Vice Chair	Elected	Bldg/Mtc	Fall 2019
	X	John Dvorak	Elected	Rel. Ed.	Fall 2018
X		Donna Hafner	Elected	Arts + Env., WSJ	Fall 2018
	X	Joe Uhrich	Apptd.	KCs	
X		Brenda Oster	Apptd.	Finance	
X		Amy Miklos	Apptd.	Young Adults/Youth	
X		Jim Brickey, Bldg/Mtc Chair			
X		Cindy Weidenbach		Alternate member	

The notes from the last meeting were reviewed. No changes were noted. The notes were approved as-is.

Building/Maintenance – Jim Brickey

Water leak in tunnel -- Water is leaking in the tunnel – last year’s fixes are not working. Jim said that Rapid Foundation Repair (RFR) will begin work April 18 and finish the next day.

Parking lot insurance liability – *Background:* Jim had talked to the insurance company about liability for unauthorized public use of the west parking lot, including skateboarding. They suggested we develop and post at least two signs advising the public the lot is for church parking only, and warning that unauthorized use is prohibited. Jim purchased three signs at a total cost of \$248. These will be put up soon. Need to buy posts and rent an augur.

Ice on neighbors lot -- The Parish Center building drain is icing up the dentist’s parking lot to the south, need to address this. Decided to look at this in the spring.

Parish Hall flooring – Fr. Gerlach has forwarded the necessary information to Mark Hazel of the Diocesan Building Committee. The Diocese has approved the work. Floor work will begin in early June.

Motion was made by Amy to purchase new fixtures for the two basement bathrooms, with expenses not to exceed \$2200. Second by Donna. Motion passed. This work will be completed prior to June so the bathrooms can be included in the larger basement flooring project.

OLD BUSINESS

Gathering Area

(Background: The Parish Council had previously asked that a small steering group explore possible renovation concepts, including upgrading power to the building to allow for installation of air conditioning units, providing for an accessible gathering area, and upgrading the basement bathrooms. The group should also discuss some possible funding ideas. Mary Krogman convened a group and is serving as the liaison. Group members include Craig Bobzien, Rich Zacher, Tab Arthur, Finny Sechser, John Fejfar, and Mike Lewis, and several others. Several of these people have served on similar groups in the past.)

The building committee has not met again. Bids were received from Do-It-Best for lumber, and that firm said they also can provide architectural work. It was agreed that we should try to get some grants written. We will also need to initiate discussion on fund raising.

Priority Plan Action Items

(Background: Fr. Gerlach had asked that members read the document, Through Him, With Him and In Him, authored by Bishop Gruss, which was sent to all parishioners this summer. Fr. Gerlach has said he would like to discuss parts of this document with Parish Pastoral Council members.)

Father led a discussion of Chapters 1, 2 and 3 of this book.

NEW BUSINESS

Notice of Parish Pastoral Council Meetings

It was agreed that Council meeting dates and times should be posted in the bulletin.

Membership

Joe Uhrich has given notice that he can no longer attend Council meetings due to conflicts with other activities. The Council will need to discuss if and how to fill this vacant seat.

NEXT MEETING

The next Pastoral Council meeting will be held Tuesday, May 16, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Parish Center.

(Notes taken by Amy Miklos)