Minutes OLA

Parish Council Meeting October 19, 2015

Members present: Fr. Stephen, Tom Dempsey, Joe Herschel, Steve Maleike

New members: Gail Arsenault, Sherri Rufer, Suzanne Schudel

Finance Committee Members: Juan Colon, Mary Donnelly, Thea Woodward(bookkeeper)

Members missing: Raymond Drainville, Stefan Chevalier, Ted Wall, John Zupetz (New Council Member)

- A. Call to order by Joe Herschel
- B. Opening prayer by all present
- C. Visitors present: AnnMarie Minerly, AnnMarie Troy
- D. Next Meeting: November 16, 2015
- E. Acceptance of September 21, 2015 minutes
- F. Fr. Stephan appointed new board members. All will be getting letters in the mail and the recognition mass will be Sunday, 8:30 am, November 8th. The rest of the board agreed
- G. Pastoral Assistant's Report: J Herschel read the report submitted by Gary Texter
- H. Religious Ed. Report from Chris Herschel:
 - a. Youth mass was a success, great attendance
 - Received \$3475 so far...has a balance of \$1659.. She will be mailing reminders and also offering payment plans for those that need it. So far 8 families have not paid anything. Fr. Stephan reminded Chris of a scholarship offered to families for religious education students.
 - c. Sign-up sheet in the back of the church seems to be working well. Only 1 child in the whole program that has not attended mass yet.
 - d. She is diligently working on Faith, Food and Fun...hoping for Nov. 14th from 2:30 5 with the kids doing a youth mass at 5:30.
- I. Finance Council Report: Thea Woodward
 - a. Finished September \$270.00 in the black
 - Expenses: Chapel Room expense \$2804.21, Ceiling Tile \$381.70, Other expenses -\$9.00 – Juan suggested a capital reserve/expense account to cover overages in capital budgeting.
 - c. Signed a 10 month agreement with VanEtten VEO oil for fuel at \$745.00/month which is \$2.19 per gallon.
 - d. History of Train Raffle: 2012 \$839.00; 2013 \$789.00.... Decision by council to revisit the train raffle in the spring/summer.
- J. Unfinished Business
 - a. Steve Maleike presented a copy of the Raffle tickets that Healy Brothers donated for the Cape May Wildwood Crest raffle. 400 tickets. Will start selling ASAP
 - b. Joe will be doing the Poinsettia Fundraiser which he will begin selling the week after Thanksgiving.

- c. Still haven't found fundraiser chairperson. Joe reiterated that he will work with them; the person will not be alone. Putting an announcement in the bulletin again.
- K. Maintenance Report: Tom Dempsey
 - a. Chapel room moving along nicely. Waiting for trim to come in to finish up. Door with sump pump will have a lock on it.
 - b. Looking for help with maintenance. He will be away for the months of Jan. and Feb.
 - c. Thankful for MInerly Boys who will do the snow shoveling for the winter months.
 - d. Joby all set for plowing.
 - e. Oil company is set with degree days so no one has to worry about checking the oil levels.
 - f. Moved AA back downstairs. It was suggested to get a definite contact for the Office in case of emergency.
- L. New Business
 - a. AnnMaire Minerly is the chairperson for the Bells & Stars program again and she would like to put an announcement in the bulletin looking for donations of coats, new or gently used. Last year out of the 120 children, 80 of them asked for coats. However, she would like this to be separate from the tags that will be on the tree. Everyone loved the idea and Joe/Chris/Mary offered to contact Arts Cleaners for suggestions or donations as well. This is not to be confused with the actual Bells & Stars.
 - b. Go over responsibilities of board members at next meeting.

Closing remarks by Fr. Stephan

Closing prayer by Joe Herschel

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