

ST. JOHN'S PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – July 22, 2014

The St. John's Parish Council met on Tuesday, July 22, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. in the St. John's Church Basement.

Members Present: Father Marv Enneking,
Trustees: Emily Schneider and Don Brang
Council: Doug Meyer, Marcy Klaphake, Karl Meyer, and new council member Joy Silbernack.
Finance Committee: Tom Loxtercamp; Absent, Dennis Illies
Maintenance Committee: Marvin Meyer
St Joseph's Society: Joe Meyer
School board Representatives absent
St Mary's Society Representative: absent, Sheri Luetmer

Doug Meyer called the meeting to order. Emily Schneider led us in opening prayer with the Hail Mary. The minutes of the last meeting were read by Doug Meyer. Motion was made by Karl Meyer, seconded by Don Brang and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of the St John-St. Andrew's Parish Councils, School Budget and parish subsidy meeting. Motion was made by Emily Schneider, seconded by Karl Meyer and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of the St John's Parish Council meeting which followed the group meeting on June 9, 2014.

Election of Officers:

President: Doug Meyer (Motion made by Karl Meyer, seconded by Emily Schneider and unanimously carried to approve Doug as president)
Vice President: Marcy Klaphake (Motion made by Emily Schneider, seconded by Don Brang and unanimously carried to approve Marcy as Vice President).
Secretary: Joy Silbernack (Motion made by Emily Schneider, seconded by Karl Meyer and unanimously carried to approve Joy as secretary).

SJSA School Board Report:

- Planning Committee: Looking for two to three parish council members from St John's Parish to be on the planning committee for the future of the schools and buildings. Elected as representatives were Tom Loxtercamp, Doug Meyer, and Karl Meyer if a third representative is needed.
- School Cleaners: Doug will follow up if Clarine Stalberger will be coming back to clean the school. If not, the position will be posted in the bulletin.

Maintenance Committee:

- Father Marv reported that Bishop Kettler, Father Rolfes and Father Marv did a walkthrough of the schools on July 7, 2014. They will have contractor, Mr. Pogatchnick, come to inspect both buildings to see what needs to be done to each building to get them into good condition.
- One of the trees on the front of the church near the sidewalk is dying and this will be monitored if we need to remove it in the future.

Finance Committee:

- Don Brang reported that the finance numbers are looking good and nothing new to report.

St Joseph's Society:

- Joe Meyer spoke about the upcoming Men's Breakfast and Bake sale on August 17, 2014. No other items to report.

St Mary's Society: -- No Report

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Church Parking Lot:** The PINS have been located for the property line for the church parking lot and the Oak Grove Apartment building. Father will be in contact with the managers of the apartment building on how to proceed. Father also will speak to them regarding paying \$100 toward the cost of striping of their 10 spots.
- **Estimates for shingling church roof –** the Bishop has released funds and we are moving forward with shingling the church roof. The funds for this project is in our Capital Improvement fund. Emily will be placing a notice in the bulletin to remind our parishioners that our money in the Capital Improvement fund has been released and that we plan to use it towards shingling the upper roof and that they can donate towards the fund again. An update will also be placed in the bulletin letting the parishioners know that the lower south roof was shingled last year. The south side of top roof of church will be shingled this year. Jim Braun will be bringing contractor Zak Novak in to look at the roof and provide a bid. We also received a bid from Travis Thom, and if we go with him he will not be able to start until September. Jerry Imdieke will also be checking the roof with the contractors. We will also be looking at the North side top roof as well and get pricing if we decide to do them all at one time. If gutters need to be replaced we will also be looking at changing those as well. Tom Loxtercamp checked into the cost of renting a hoist, which is approximately \$950/week or \$500/day. We are anticipating the cost of shingling to be approximately \$7,000-10,000 for south side, top roof. If we do both the north and south top roofs at the same time we are looking at approximately \$12,000.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Church lawnmower** – we are in need of a new lawnmower/snowblower. Doug presented some pricing he received from Ray's Service Station. It was discussed on whether to get just a lawn mower or the combination of mower and snow blower. We will start with asking parishioners to see if we can get any donations toward a new mower and then discuss at our next meeting on how to proceed. Joy will place a notice in the bulletin asking for donations toward a new lawnmower.
- **6:00 p.m. Sunday Masses** – Marv Meyer asked about looking into having a Sunday evening Mass, possibly 6:00 p.m. and having a single Morning Mass at 9:00. Father Marv has endorsed an area Sunday evening Mass once/month for the youth of the Sauk Centre, Melrose and Freeport clusters. Different ideas were presented and Father will talk to other parishes that have done this and provide feedback. We will also ask for feedback from the Greenwald and Spring Hill parishes.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 23, 2014 @ 7:30 p.m.

Father Marv led us in closing prayer with a Hail Mary.

Karl Meyer motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Don Brang and unanimously approved.

Respectively submitted by Joy Silbernack, Secretary